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Murderer given life for horror stabbing

By Eva Astreinidou

A MURDERER has been sent to prison for life for a 'horrific' attack in a garden in broad daylight

Egidio Da Silva Alves, 28, was sentenced to life imprisonment on Friday after pleading guilty last month to one count of murder.

Alves, of The Slade in Oxford, appeared at Oxford Crown Court where he was sentenced to life with a minimum term of 20 years and 10 months imprisonment for the murder of Domingos Romalho in February.

Following the sentencing, the victim's family issued a heartfelt statement. "No sentence will ever be enough. It's over now, I hope my husband can rest in peace. we must now try to move on with our lives.

"We would like to thank the police, CPS, the people who tried to help [him] that day and my family and friends who have been supportive throughout."

The court heard that at around 2.30pm on February 13, Da Silva Alves bumped into 35 year old Mr Romalho, whom he knew at a bookmakers' in London Road, Headington.

The two men had a brief conversation before Da Silva Alves left the store and went to a nearby hardware shop where he purchased a large kitchen knife. He returned to the bookmakers and used the gaming machines before going into the toilets where he removed the packaging around the knife.

Da Silva Alves then followed Mr Romalho into Windmill Road, where he made a phone call asking a friend to look after his child as he grew up.

When asked why, he stated "I am going to kill him".

The two had an altercation and Da Silva Alves attacked Mr Romalho in a garden.

Members of the public intervened and disarmed Da Silva Alves while providing first aid to Mr Romalho. Emergency services were called and he was taken to hospital where he died the following day.

Da Silva Alves was arrested at the scene and was charged with murder on February 15.

Senior investigating officer detective inspector Dave Hubbard, from Thames Valley Police's Major Crime unit, said: "The loss of Domingos was one that has loved ones felt deeply and my thoughts are with them at this difficult time."

Rachel Lomas, senior crown prosecutor for Thames and Chiltern Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) said: "The witnesses, including children, were utterly unprepared for what they saw that afternoon and a number of them acted courageously in their efforts to save Mr Romalho's life.

"I would like to pay tribute to Mr Romalho's family and friends and the witnesses, for their support of the investigation and prosecution.

"We know that nothing will bring Mr Romalho back to his family and friends. But we hope that the conviction and today's sentence bring them at least a small sense that justice has been done."



Egidio Da Silva Alves, above, must serve a minimum term of more than 20 years for the killing of Domingos Romalho, inset

Oxford 'can learn from Cambridge'

OXFORD could take a few lessons from Cambridge's 'success story' according to a group looking to improve life in the city.

Oxford Civic Society (OCS) visited Cambridge in spring 2016 with the aim of finding what has been working there and how that could be applied in Oxford.

This covered a range of areas, including planning and development, the role of local government, the contribution of the university and the dedication towards a 'shared vision'.

The group concluded that the main difference between the two cities is clear – the ability to reach consensus between authorities in a collaborative nature that benefits the county.

Ian Green, chairman of OCS, said, "It boils down to consensus. Cambridge authorities have got their act together and doing good work."

According to Mr Green, Cambridge changed their local government structure to create a combined authority, helping to secure vital funding for its growth from central government.

He said that Oxfordshire authorities, on the other hand, are in total disagreement' in restructuring local government.

He added: 'We need to have county-wide consensus because we have huge potential in contributing not just to the local economy, but also the national economy."

Oxford City Council leader Bob Price said that Cambridge started collaborative working earlier but that Oxfordshire is now 'catching up'.

He said this is especially apparent in the collaboration between councils, universities, and big science facilities in Oxford.

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Anger as council now set to replace cladding despite safety assurances

By Eva Astreinidou

OXFORD officials are accused of giving false assurances to tower block residents following the failure of fire safety tests on two of the city's high-rise buildings.

Days after the tragic fire at London's Grenfell Tower just over two weeks ago, Oxford City Council told residents that the cladding on the city's tower blocks was fire retardant.

But days later, after new fire safety checks it was revealed that the 15-storey Evenlode and Windrush Towers are covered in cladding that is combustible and it must be replaced.

Darren Hazell, chairman of the Oxford Tower Block Leaseholder Association, said he and other leaseholders received letters confirming that the cladding was fire retardant but just days later that was proved to be false information.

Families have been told to stay put until the cladding is replaced. Mr Hazell said: "It is a joke. In light of the severity of the Grenfell fire you would have thought that they would have dotted their I's and crossed their T's. I am very angry about the situation."

In light of this, he has even told his tenant in Windrush Tower that if she wanted to leave the building he will release her from the contract.

Following the results, the Oxford East Conservative Association accused the Labour-controlled city council of irresponsible behaviour in falsely assuring residents that the buildings were safe.

The group's vice-president Mark Bhagwandin said: "Residents of the towers were right to question the accuracy of the council's hasty assurances.

"The false safety assurances do call into question whether the relevant officials should continue in their current post."

Speaking on Monday, leader of Oxford City Council, Cllr Bob Price, said: "Tenants' safety is our top concern and we will not compromise on safety standards. We're arranging for the work to begin removing the cladding to start as soon as possible."

Simon Furlong, director of community safety and chief fire officer of Oxfordshire's Fire and Rescue Service, said there have been improvements to all five towers following recent refurbishment work.

He added: "This includes the new sprinkler system in flats and communal areas and a fire and smoke detection system connected directly to the fire service."

The city council says the other three tower blocks do not have the type of cladding deemed to be a risk.

Woman rescued from car after smash near Bicester

A WOMAN was airlifted to hospital after a two-vehicle crash near Bicester left her with a serious leg injury.

Fire crews used specialist cutting equipment to free the woman from her car following the crash on the A4421 between Bicester and Finmere shortly after 5.30pm on Friday.

Three others – a man and two children – were taken to hospital via road with less serious injuries.

Police were also on the scene to conduct initial investigations into the cause of the accident.

Incident commander, station manager Don Crook, said: "This was another good example of the emergency services coming together and working hard, in challenging circumstances, to provide relief and care to those in need."

A spokesman for South Central Ambulance Service confirmed they were called at 5.34pm and a specialist paramedic in a rapid response vehicle, two ambulances, a paramedic team leader and the East Midlands Air Ambulance was sent to the scene.

The cause of the accident is still unknown.



Firefighters at the scene of Friday's crash in which two adults and two children were injured



Battery leak at university sees toxic fumes released

FOUR people were exposed to sulphuric acid after batteries leaked in the basement of an Oxford University building.

Fire crews attended the "unusual incident" at the university's engineering department on Parks Road just before 12.30pm on Friday and remained for nearly five hours.

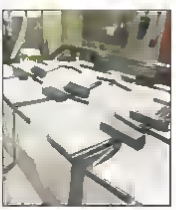
More than 40 batteries had started to heat up, swell and leak, causing four people to inhale sulphuric acid fumes. They were unharmed but were treated by trauma trained firefighters and paramedics.

Three people were discharged at the scene and one man was taken to hospital for further precautionary checks.

After consultation with the management on site, specialist hazardous materials officers and the battery manufacturer, a plan to deal with the incident was agreed.

Firefighters went into the building wearing breathing apparatus with a gas monitor and thermal image camera to assess the situation.

The power supply was disconnected from the batteries but they are designed to hold their electric charge so no water could be applied to cool the units.



The battery units made safe

Instead, a cooling fan was applied to the batteries and the air monitored until the building was safe and handed back to the university.

Crews left at 5.15pm.

Incident commander, station manager Paul Webster said: "This was an unusual incident as most people expect that if you apply water to something hot it will cool it down – this is not always the case, especially when electricity or chemicals are involved.

"I would like to thank staff and students for their co-operation during this lengthy incident."

Further arrests in connection with murder

TEN people have now been arrested in connection with a murder investigation in Oxford.

Christopher Lemonius, 27, died in hospital after he was found with serious injuries following a fight on Jourdain Road in Blackbird Leys.

Since the incident on June 1, five people have been charged with murder and there have been five further arrests.

In the latest development, a 25 year-old man from Oxford was arrested on Friday on suspicion of assisting an offender. He has been released pending investigations.

On Thursday last week, a 32-year-old man from Oxford was arrested on suspicion of assisting an offender. He was released on bail until July 6.

And on June 14, a 31 year-old woman from Oxford was arrested on suspicion of assisting an offender. She has been released under investigation.

The day before, a 63-year-old man from Oxford and a 36-year-old woman from Oxford were arrested on suspicion of assisting an offender. They have been released under investigation.

The trial of the five men charged with murder is expected to start on November 6.

Coroner Darren Salter opened the inquest into the death of Mr Lemonius of Sherwood Place, Barton, on June 14, confirming that his death was due to multiple injuries. He added there would be a review in a few months' time depending on criminal proceedings.

Royal approval for RAF freedom march

By Eva Astreinidou

AIR Force staff marched in a freedom parade as hundreds of people lined the streets in Wallingford to wave the Union Jack and cheer them on.

More than 120 staff from RAF Benson paraded across Wallingford Bridge and into the town centre, accompanied by the RAF central band, on June 22.

The event was held to commemorate 60 years since the Freedom of Wallingford was awarded to the station allowing personnel to march through the town with drums beating, colours flying, and bayonets fixed.

Prince Michael of Kent was in attendance at the parade to inspect the personnel as the royal reviewing officer.

Group captain Hamish Cormack, station commander of RAF Benson, said: "It is a genuine honour to hold the Freedom of Wallingford.

"Today we were privileged to have Prince Michael of Kent as Royal Reviewing Officer. To see the march was a magnificent sight.

"This was clearly appreciated by the gathered crowds with spontaneous applause and kids waving Union Jacks.

"This serves to reinforce the genuine warmth felt between RAF Benson and the local town of Wallingford."

Councillor and mayor of Wallingford Michael Kidley said, "This is a great day for Wallingford.

"I first came to the area in 1961 as an airman with the RAF serving with the general engineering flight at RAF Benson.

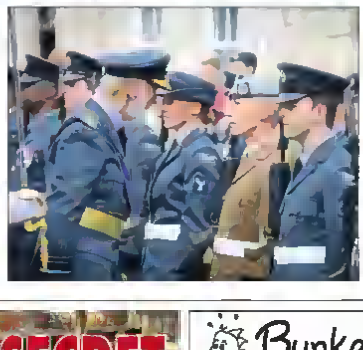
"Today has just been brilliant to see all the guys and girls parading through the town."

Following the inspection, the parade commander, wing commander Marty Lock, led the parade from the town centre through to the Kinecroft.

As they marched past Prince Michael of Kent and saluted, a Puma and Chinook helicopter from RAF Benson performed a flypast.

The parade dispersed on the Kinecroft and joined families, friends and local residents in enjoying the entertainment on offer which included a rendition of classic and popular music from the RAF central band.





Above, soldiers march through Wallingford, and below, Prince Michael inspects the troops. Pictures: MOD Crown Copyright

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Bank scare

OXFORD A bank in Oxford was evacuated after a suspicious bag was found.

Police officers were called on Tuesday at about 12.25pm following reports that the item had been left in Lloyds Bank in High Street.

The bank was evacuated and officers attended the scene until it was established that the bag was not dangerous.

Assault at pub

BANBURY Two men have been arrested following an assault that left another man with a facial injury.

Police officers were called to a fight in the Banbury Cross pub on Butchers Row at around 12.40am on Sunday.

They said a 25 year-old man was cut in his face which they believe was caused by a glass.

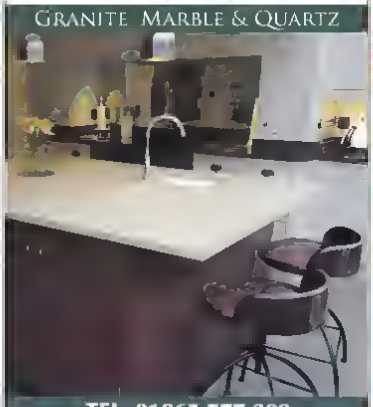
He is receiving treatment in hospital and officers have appealed for witnesses to come forward with information.

Police described the offenders as two white males.

One of them was 6ft, wearing a white top and shorts and the other male was described as wearing a black top.

A 23-year old man from Banbury and a 25 year-old man from Bicester have been arrested on suspicion of grievous bodily harm without intent.

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'Honest' accounts from children of their life in hospital

AN 'HONEST' and captivating project that sheds light on what it s like to be a child in hospital will be launched in Oxford.

A pioneering new audio work by young patients will premiere at the John Radcliffe Hospital during the city s Festival of the Arts tonight at the Pegasus Theatre at 8pm.

Hospital Hubbub was created by students of the Oxfordshire Hospital School with the help of radio producer Penny Boreham to help shine a light on the lives of patients at Oxford s largest children s hospital.

It consists of six podcasts featuring the voices of children as they share their experiences of being in hospital.

After finishing the project, Penny Boreham said "The work gives a unique first hand insight into what it s really like to be a child in hospital.

"By giving young patients a voice and the freedom to share their own thoughts and experiences, we ve created a candid and honest piece of audio that is joyful and captivating too "

Oxfordshire Hospital School teacher Caron Houchen developed the project alongside Penny

She said "The project ties in brilliantly with our aim to give every child and young person a stimulating, motivating and highly personalised education during their time in hospital.

"We want to give our students opportunities to try new experiences and develop new skills.

"As well as developing their skills in presenting, interviewing and expressing their thoughts we ve also seen the children s self-esteem confidence and wellbeing grow"



11-year-old Libby interviews radio producer Penny Boreham

Paper boats aim to highlight refugees' plight

A FLOTILLA of 2 000 tiny paper boats made by refugee groups 'sailed' across Oxford to represent the perilous journeys asylum seekers make to find sanctuary

A temporary art installation that was six months in the making flowed out from the Tirah Memorial and filled the upper area of Bonn Square in Oxford on Sunday the final day of international Refugee Week.

Since January the Oxford Concert Party (OCP) has been running the project 'Waving Hello, working alongside pupils from Oxford schools adults from refugee groups and detainees at the Campsfield refugee centre to produce the installation.

The project, which also involved music storytelling, poetry and visual arts culminated in Sunday s event, inviting members of the public to contribute to the flotilla.

A spokesperson from OCP said: "Migration is a key component of our past, present and future.

"Art and music are universal languages and are the perfect vehicle for exploring and sharing our common humanity across cultures "

The aim of the project is to spread the message of unity and show that migration forms the tapestry of human life

Rally calls for hate to stop

By Eva Astreinidou

A GROUP standing up to racism is calling on supporters to join a rally and show there is 'no room for hate' after a Somali woman was allegedly attacked as she celebrated Eid.

Police say they were called at 2 26pm on Sunday to reports of an altercation between two groups of people in Florence Park on Cricket Road, Oxford, as families were celebrating the end of Ramadan.

A Thames Valley Police spokeswoman said. "The incident is believed to have taken place after a football but a woman who was in one of the groups

"It is reported that racist language was then used.

"One person was taken to hospital and one person was treated at the scene There were no serious injuries reported."

No arrests have been made

Now the group Oxford Stand Up To Racism has called a reclaim the park' rally to be held tomorrow evening.

It has leafleted and campaigned in the area to build support for the event at 6pm in Rhymers Lane

Mariam Ahmed, joint chair



Florence Park. Picture: Steve Daniels

of Oxford Stand Up To Racism, said. "There is no room for hate of any kind in our diverse city It is extremely upsetting to hear about this attack on innocent women and children going about their normal business.

"Our thoughts are with the victim and family and hope they can recover from this emotionally and continue with their Eid celebrations."

Ian Mckendrick, communications manager for the organisation said there is an urgent need for people opposed to racism to isolate such behaviour

He said "There has been a rise in attacks on Muslims following the Manchester and London terror attacks though Muslims were among the victims of the attacks and also played essential roles in the emergency response to help the victims

"Islamophobia is being systematically fuelled by far right organisations to incite racist attacks

"Nor can we ignore the anti-Muslim inflammatory headlines and comments in sections of British mainstream media. This can only change when more people get active in challenging racism in all its forms."

City councillor David Henwood from the Cowley ward said. "I hope the people responsible are brought to justice. This is something we will not tolerate in any part of our society We all have to accept one another and help each other contribute to our society here."

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Two friends shriek with delight as they leap into action during the Rainbow Run hospice fundraiser. Picture: Chaz Snell

Getting messy at Rainbow Run

RUNNERS were showered with rainbow coloured powdered paint on Saturday as hundreds of people gathered in Cutteslowe Park for a charity event.

More than 700 racers took part in the Helen & Douglas House Rainbow Run all for a good cause.

The 3km, family friendly event is less about speed or competition, and more about enjoying a fun day with friends family or colleagues

Catherine Laurie from Bicester, whose nine-year-old son Thomas died at Helen House in 2014, ran as part of Team Thomas and opened the event with a short speech.

Helen & Douglas House offers hospice care for children and young adults

Lord Carey quits post after report into abuse

By Eva Astreinidou

FORMER Archbishop of Canterbury Lord Carey has resigned from his role in the Oxford Diocese following a damning report exposing the wrongdoing of a bishop who abused a number of boys and men over many years.

Lord Carey was Archbishop of Canterbury at the time the abuses were carried out by Peter Ball, former bishop of Lewes and Gloucester between the 1970s and 1990s.

Ball, now 85, has been in prison since 2015 after admitting sex offences against 18 teenagers and young men.

In an independent review titled Abuse of Faith, the Church of England representative Dame Moira Gibb led the investigation into the abuse that she said was 'compounded by the failure of the Church to respond appropriately

The review found that Lord Carey received seven letters from families and individuals following the arrest and cautioning of Ball in 1992 when he was jailed for 32 months for indecent assault and misconduct.

Lord Carey failed to pass all but one to the police.

On Monday, the Bishop of Oxford, Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft, said "In light of Dame Moira Gibb's review into the Peter Ball case Lord Carey has resigned from his role as honorary assistant bishop in the Diocese of Oxford.

"Lord Carey has accepted the criticisms made of him in the Gibb review and has apologised to the victims of Peter Ball."

In a statement on Thursday, Lord Carey said. "I accept the criticisms made of me

"I apologise to the victims of Peter Ball. I believed Peter Ball's protestations and gave too little credence to the vulnerable young men and boys behind those allegations."

In her report. Dame Gibb said "Ball's priority was to protect and promote himself and he maligned the abused.

"The Church colluded with that rather than seeking to help those he had harmed, or assuring itself of the safety of others."

She added, "The standards and expectations of safeguarding practice, both in the Church and more widely were different then. We do not think that the Church now would conduct itself in the ways we have described."

Eruptions triggered dawn of dinosaurs

RESEARCHERS in Oxford say they have discovered what caused the beginning of the age of the dinosaurs

Huge pulses of volcanic activity led to the end of the Triassic period and one of the largest mass extinctions of animal life on record.

The Triassic extinction took place approximately 200 million years ago and was followed by the dinosaur era.

Many underwater species were lost in the eruptions and scientists at Oxford University who analysed ancient rocks from four different continents believe this paved the way for dinosaurs

Lead author Lawrence Percival,



from the Earth sciences department at Oxford University said. "These results strongly support repeated episodes of volcanic activity at the end of the Triassic, with the onset of volcanism during the end Triassic extinction.

"This research greatly strengthens the link between the Triassic mass extinction and volcanic emissions of CO2

"This further evidence of episodic emissions of volcanic CO2 as the likely driver of the extinction enhances our understanding of this event and potentially of other climate change episodes in Earth's history"

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Star fundraiser Lee steps out to hit 480-mile goal

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Charity of the year 2017
Play2Give

By George Welch

A SUPERMARKET shift worker is preparing to endure blisters aching legs and sore feet when he walks more than 480 miles next month to support our charity of the year

Lee Crook, who works nights at Sainsbury's in Didcot is limbering up to walk one million steps in July to raise funds for Didcot fundraising group Play2Give (P2G)

Lee, who has already raised more than £350, will walk 33 000 steps a day – the equivalent of 15 5 miles – to take in total one million steps or 480.5 miles in 31 days.

The Wallingford man said his fundraiser "is going to be a hard task but within my reach"

P2G s founder Andy Baker said. "Lee has been a fundraising superstar for P2G ever since he first got involved in late 2014.

"He has really thrown himself into supporting us so well because he has been enthused so much by what we do we thank him hugely

"Together with colleagues at Sainsbury's in Didcot they all know the massive difference that fundraising makes

"We congratulate Lee on his latest venture and wish him all the best in his daunting task ahead, which I know he will achieve."

Lee who has helped raise more than £1,215 over the last three years for P2G, said Andy 29, inspired him when they first met around three years ago.

He said "Andy is an inspiration He puts so much time and effort into raising money for some great causes.

"It is for Andy's sheer passion, enthusiasm and inspiring relentless self that inspires me to keep on supporting P2G whenever I can.

"I will continue to support Andy and the team s good work in years to come."

Visit make-a-donation.org/fundraisers/lee-crook3 to sponsor Lee.



Andy Baker, left, cheers on Lee Crook as he prepares to walk one million steps in July



Pupils at Didcot Girls' School have been helping charities

Kind-hearted girls raise £1,000 for good causes

SELFLESS girls at a Didcot school raised more than £1 000 for charities in an 'unforgettable school project like no other.

The whole of Year 9 at Didcot Girls School took part in a programme that encouraged pupils to investigate social issues and meet local charities that address those issues in the community

The Manor Crescent-based school joined together with philanthropy education programme First Give to help young people give back to their communities

The students made professional presentations about their chosen charity and competed with each other in a public speaking competition to win grants for their good causes

A total of £1,500 was raised for three local charities Make A Wish UK, Sobell House Bospice and Blue Skye Thinking.

The social issues surrounding life-threatening and terminal illnesses clearly struck a chord with the students at Didcot Girls' School, with all three of the winning groups representing charities that work on these issues

Stuart George who leads the delivery of the First Give programme at Didcot Girls' School, said. "It was a really enjoyable and at times very moving event as our pupils spoke passionately about their charities of choice some of which our pupils in the past had used in times of need.

"I am sure this is one school project that none of our pupils, or charities are ever going to forget."

A judge on the panel was so impressed by the students' work with First Give that they donated £100 to each of the three finalists.

Thirty finalists took part in the final event at the school on June 8 when six teams delivered emotive presentations to a room full of parents, charities and a panel of judges

The big winners were Make A Wish UK, which was awarded £1 000 to help the families of terminally ill children have their final wishes granted.

Blue Skye Thinking and Sobell House Hospice won £250 each.





Spring into Action

Now's the perfect time to replace your garden fence once and for all Anna Ryder Richardson - Designer and Television Presenter - takes a closer look at Colourfence, the revolutionary low-maintenance system

It o been ten years once I regularly graced TV screens helping transform people o living spaces with MDF and stripped floorboards Recently it s been more "celebrity muck out" than "celebrity make-over" as I look up the challenges of owning my own Wildlife Zoo in Tenby In this time I ve learnt quite a lot about fences and having researched the various options for my own benefit I thought I would share my knowledge with a wider audience

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Exhibitions tell stories of refugees

By Eva Astreinidou

OXFORD is celebrating culture and identity with "impactful" exhibitions at the Pitt Rivers Museum.

The two exhibitions – Syrians Unknown and Identity without Borders – at the museum in Parks Road launched to mark the end of refugee week on June 15, and will be open to the public until the end of September.

The Identity without Borders exhibition was marked with an evening of poetry performances, live music and dance from groups including African Dance Oxford on Saturday.

The museum received contributions from Oxford charities Refugee Resource and Asylum Welcome for the exhibition.

Jozie Kettle, from the Pitt Rivers Museum, said: "This work is really exciting for the museum team – we are connecting with new audiences in really meaningful and impactful ways and we are learning about our collections by hearing the stories that the community volunteers have to tell.

"The community volunteers involved have all come to the UK as refugees or seeking asylum.

"It has been brilliant going behind the scenes with these volunteers and hearing the stories that they have to tell about objects in the collections that come from their home countries.

"The museum has been able to learn new things about our collections and the volunteers have gained new experiences and skills."

Syrians Unknown, a photographic exhibition by John Wreford, is available in English and Arabic.

It features large-scale portraits of people displaced from war-torn Syria who are now surviving and thriving in Istanbul, Turkey.

Each person photographed has written testimonials about their experiences.



Members of African Dance Oxford. Pictures: Pitt Rivers Museum



Members of the Confluence Collective stand tall at the opening and, left, one of the Syrians Unknown portraits

Young game designers play it well

TWO young boys are BAFTA finalists in a competition to find the game designers of the future.

Adriano Matousek, 17 and Aravind Prabhakara, 16, have been announced as finalists of a nationwide competition and will find out if they stand out from the rest at a special awards ceremony on July 8.

The BAFTA Young Game Designers (YGD) ceremony in London will be judged by a panel of games professionals.

Both spent hours of their free time designing their games using freely available software for their respective games, Evade and CoSine.

Adriano said: "To have BAFTA recognise my game is a real honour."

Aravind said: "I'm excited about meeting other young games designers from across the country next month."





Top, Aravind from Abingdon, and bottom, Adriano from Cumnor

News Bites

Walk this way

OXON: A record number of people are expected to lace up their walking shoes and take part in one of three walks to raise money for breast cancer.

Abingdon-based charity Against Breast Cancer is urging people to raise as much cash as possible and have fun at the event on September 3.

Three walks are on offer including a full marathon from Abingdon, a half marathon from Wallingford and a 10k route from Goring.

All walks end at Beale Park.

Prices for September's event range from £25 to £10 depending on distance and discounts are available for concessions.

Visit breastwalkever.org

Feeling lucky?

OXFORD: A new lottery is expected to raise at least £60,000 for good causes in Oxford – making more grants available for voluntary and community groups.

The city council has agreed to set up the online-only Oxford Lottery that will benefit voluntary and community organisations.

Susan Brown, the council's board member for customer and corporate services, said: "The Oxford Lottery is a great opportunity to raise money for good causes in the city and players will be able to nominate their own favourite groups to receive money from it."

A six-month process will now put the groundwork in place.



News Bites

New shop opens

THAME: Residents have welcomed a new business into Thame's high street, with the mayor Tom Wyse cutting the ribbon to declare Crew Clothing open.

The new clothing store in Commarket opened its doors for the first time on Saturday and stocks both womenswear and menswear. To celebrate the launch the store, hosted a three-day event

RBL poppy plea

THAME: The Royal British Legion is looking for Poppy Appeal organisers for Thame.

The role will include delivering poppies and collecting tins. Call Mark on 0203 053 7271

Extra five homes

ADDERBURY: A new housing development has been given approval to build a further five homes

The site, off Milton Road, was previously earmarked for community facilities. But Adderbury Parish Council was allocated more land nearby and has started planning community facilities there, so has struck a deal with the developer for a cash injection towards its plans

Planning permission for the wider site – where 31 homes are under construction – was approved in 2014

Johns back but this time in command



A NOT-so-new face has taken over as the police area commander for Cherwell and West Oxfordshire.

Former West Oxfordshire Inspector now Superintendent, Mark Johns, pictured right, has returned to the area as its commander

Mark has 22 years' service in the police and transferred to the Thames Valley force in 2006.

He started his career with Devon and Cornwall Constabulary in 1995 and quickly rose through the ranks

He has also worked in force CID where he led on complex and serious crime investigations, and was promoted to the rank of Superintendent in 2015

He was then made head of people services and learning and professional development.

Superintendent Mark Johns said: "I'm very pleased to be returning to the area, now as LPA Commander

"In my first few days in the job, I've been delighted to find colleagues who I had worked with previously still here with that same commitment we all share

"That is to deliver a high-quality police service to keep people safe and to bring offenders to justice.

"It's been said before, but the strength of the police is reflected in the strength of its communities."

He continued. "To that end, I am keen to build on the strong neighbourhood policing model that has served our area so well."

Previous commander Superintendent Kath Lowe has taken on Superintendent Johns' former role of head of people services and learning and professional development, after five-and-a-half years in the area.

Chief Inspector Emma Garside is the area's deputy commander – she started in the role in January

Rail firm's plans for ponds on track

By Samantha McGregor

PLANS to create new wildlife habitats in fields outside Bicester have been given the green light.

Newts, bats and butterflies are set to benefit from 13 ponds that will be built by Network Rail at land near Launton and Marsh Gibbon.

The move is part of proposals by Network Rail to start phase two of the East West Rail link project

As well as the ponds the rail organisation will complete earthworks to create animal shelters and planting habitats to increase the viability of rare species in the area.

The plans have been put forward by Network Rail as environmental mitigation for the rail project.

The East West Rail link project will see lines between Bicester and Bedford upgraded.

Cllr Colin Clarke Cherwell District Council's lead member for planning, said: "The East West Rail link is a very large undertaking and it is vital that as large infrastructure projects such as this are delivered, provision is also made for nature

"Populations of species such as the great crested newt can suffer when they are isolated and it is hoped that we can give them and other notable species greater resilience by providing a series of connected habitats

"Overall these three sites will help indigenous species survive and flourish and they are an important boost to biodiversity for the area."

Across the three sites a wildflower meadow, scrub, trees and hedgerows will also be planted.

This will create habitats for rare butterflies and skylarks, while amphibians will be able to spend winters in the hibernacula that are being provided.

Great crested newts are one of the key species targeted by the three developments. They need both aquatic and land habitats to be able to flourish and have experienced sharp population declines due to man-made developments in some parts of the country

Work on the 13 ponds is expected to be completed before the railway upgrades go ahead.

The East West rail link uses existing lines between Bedford and Oxford, Milton Keynes and Aylesbury Vale, which are being upgraded.

Phase one the Oxford to Bicester Village route, saw the line upgraded by Chiltern Railways and Network Rail.

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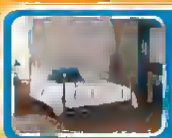
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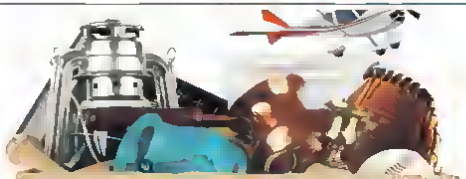
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Ex-pupils urged to help save school amid closure threat

By Eva Astreinidou

FORMER pupils have been assigned a special project that could save their school from closure.

Teacher David Robinson is appealing to ex students to take part in a consultation that could be vital to keeping open Chiltern Edge school in Sonning Common.

The school was put into special measures after an Ofsted report in March rated it as inadequate

Now Oxfordshire County Council is consulting on the school's future with one of the options being closure – or finding a sponsor to gain academy status for Chiltern Edge

Mr Robinson has filmed a video calling on his former students to take part in the online consultation, which ends on June 30 or to get in touch with the county council to persuade them to keep the school open

In the video Mr Robinson said 'I'm making a very serious appeal As you know Chiltern Edge's future is under threat as they are consulting on possible closure

"I want you to Google Oxfordshire consultation Chiltern Edge and take part in the survey or write or email the county council saying the closure will have a terrible impact on Sonning Common and surrounding area

"It will threaten the livelihoods of many"

Since the consultation was announced, parents formed the Save Our Edge campaign and have been out in force to raise awareness of the threat of closure

County council leader Ian Hudspeth said "We all want to find a solution that will enable the school to stay open.

"The key issue is how we can improve the educatuon of children who live in both Oxfordshire and Reading

"We're well aware of the strength of feeling around this issue and the high regard in which the school is held by local families despite the recent Ofsted report

"I would urge anyone who has not already done so, to take part in the consultation."

Visit tinyurl.com/knqtrv to have your say



Families protest against the possible closure of Chiltern Edge school

Air pollution findings 'put funding at risk'

CAMPAIGNERS are challenging a Government finding that says Oxford is on target to meet air pollution targets by 2020

They say air pollution remains a public health emergency and fear that future funding to tackle the issue could now be at risk.

At issue is the Government's newly published Draft Air Quality Action Plan that says Oxford is on course to meet the European Union target in nitrogen dioxide (NO2) by 2020 without any further action being needed.

Oxford city councillor John Tanner, executive board member for A Clean and Green Oxford, said that air pollution from vehicle emissions is still a public health emergency

He said: "We are deeply concerned that Oxford is unlikely to get Government funding to tackle air pollution because these draft proposals find that without taking any further action, the city will have no problem by 2020 We think this is incorrect

"We are anxious to work with the government to tackle this public health emergency."

The county council has also stressed the need for a holistic approach that tackles other pollutants such as particulates, which are hazardous to health.



Flashback to January when Greenpeace used Mary Poppins to highlight pollution levels in Oxford

Cllr Yvonne Constance cabinet member for environment said: "We would like to see greater emphasis on the role central government will play in tackling air pollution as well as a stronger commitment to resources for local authorities so that we can play our part.

"We need a holistic approach that also tackles other pollutants notably health damaging particulates and that is consistent with efforts to combat climate change."

Measures to improve air quality in Oxford have resulted in a 35 per cent reduction in NO2 levels in the last decade but in areas like St Clement's Street these are exceeding the recommended average.

Headington school's endeavours for glowing Ofsted report pay off

A SCHOOL that provides special education for children with autism and learning difficulties is celebrating a glowing Ofsted review

The Endeavour Academy in Headington was judged as good in all areas in a report published last week, to the delight of principal Angela O'Rourke

She said: "I am very proud of the whole team of staff, governors pupils and families for their support and dedicatino

"We are a team and that shone through the report – all working together with a shared goal

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Get on your bikes for Bicester's annual day of cycling activities

By Samantha McGregor

BICESTER residents are being urged to get on their bicycles for the sixth annual town bike day

Taking place on Saturday, July 8 in Pingle Field, off Pingle Drive, the free event kicks off at 10am with a Tour de Bicester – a family treasure hunt where residents follow clues in a treasure hunt to claim a victory medal.

Hosted by A2Dominion the lead developer of North West Bicester the main event runs from 11am to 2pm, which includes a demonstration by a professional extreme sports team, Team Extreme

They will be demonstrating their acrobatic half pipe skills, spins and flips on BMXs scooters and skateboards with two shows at noon and 1pm.

Afterwards the team will offer coaching workshops with hints and tips.

It has been organised in partnership with A2Dominion Healthy Bicester Cherwell District Council, BioRegional, Grassroots Bicester Bicester Green, Team Extreme and We Are Cycling UK.

Dawn Wightman, group director of housing at A2Dominion said. "As we continue to progress activity here at North West Bicester community is at the heart of everything we do

"We are pleased to create a vibrant community day for residents who have already found their home here and those who we hope will do so as the development expands."

There will be a range of free activities including a spin bike challenge watt bike challenge, the slowest bike race a Brompton folding race and a smoothie bike challenge

Youngsters can also take part in free face-painting, a bouncy castle, arts and crafts, giant bubbles, a penalty shootout and tandem space hopper races.

Meanwhile the older generation can test out electric bikes for a gentler form of cycling

Thames Valley Police will be offering free bike security coding to all bike owners on the day, while Halfords and Bicester Green will be on hand for free bike maintenance



Round the clock care on offer at new housing scheme in Wallingford

OLDER people or those with learning disabilities can rent or buy their home while having access to round the-clock care in a new housing block in Wallingford.

Wallingford's new extra care housing scheme is taking shape as developers Season Homes have started building work on the Millcroft site, expected to open by the end of summer.

When completed, there will be 20 one-bedroom and 18 two-bedroom apartments available to rent for over 55s who receive a care package.

Run in conjunction between Oxfordshire County Council and South Oxfordshire District Council, the venture will also include a communal dining area, a bar and a garden and will be based a short walk from Wallingford's shops

Councillor Lawrie Stratford, Oxfordshire County Council's cabinet member for adult social care, said: "Many years ago the choice was between people staying in their own home or going into a care home.

"Extra care housing offers the best of both worlds and we're proud that it is such an encouraging feature of life now in the county"

Kevin Byrne, group director for housing care and support at One Housing, also welcomed the development in care. He said. "I love seeing the huge difference to residents' lives our team has made."

News Bites

Carnival was fun

BICESTER Thousands of people turned out for Bicester's annual carnival which also marked Armed Forces Day on Saturday

The event started with a procession through the town centre led by the band of Bicester Air Cadets, and a string of local groups and organisations including Scouts soldiers, dance and martial arts groups

The carnival took place on Pingle Field and included a host of entertainment including performances stalls games rides and refreshments.

Lost at sea wreath

THAME. Members of a project set up to commemorate people from Thame who were killed in the First World War have laid wreaths at Portsmouth Naval Memorial in memory of nine men from Thame who lost their lives at sea during various conflicts

The ceremony which took place earlier this month was led by Thame mayor Cllr Tom Wyse and was attended by dignitaries including the Lord Mayor of Portsmouth councillors the Navy and Royal British Legion

Thame Remembers was set up to mark the centenary of the First World War by placing a Thame Remembers cross on the grave memorial or resting place of each person listed on the Thame War Memorial

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WIN tickets to Cropredy & Fairport's 50th anniversary bash



PIONEERING folk-rock band Fairport Convention celebrates its Golden Anniversary in 2017 – the first-ever Fairport gig took place on 27 May 1967 in north London. The band's music festival, Fairport's Cropredy Convention, has been held every year since 1980, making 2017 the event's thirty seventh year.

From it's simple musical session over an afternoon the festival has grown to a three day monster that draws 20 000 fans to see up to twenty different bands that cover a wide range of music.

This year's very special lineup includes a triple bill of performances from early years' former members of Fairport – Ashley Hutchings, Judy Dyble and Iain Matthews – as part of the anniversary celebration.

Ashley Hutchings founded Fairport Convention and at Cropredy 2017 he will present Morris On, a spectacular of traditional music and dance. Fairport's original female vocalist Judy Dyble will be performing with Band of Perfect Strangers, her regular musical collaborators. Iain Matthews, Fairport's first male lead singer will be joined by Andy Roberts and Mark Griffiths to present Plainsong.

Closing date: Thursday July 6

There will also be two chances to see Fairport Convention co-founder Richard Thompson. He will play a full set in his own right on Friday then join Fairport on Saturday evening.

Fairport Convention will celebrate their fifty years with a marathon performance to close the festival on Saturday. Joined on stage by former members and guests, their set will feature the very best from half a century of musicmaking. Fairport will also play on Thursday when the festival will open with a short welcoming set by the band's semi-acoustic line-up.

This year the festival runs from Thursday the 11th to Saturday 13th of August. For more details and to book tickets visit www.fairportconvention.com.

We have a **family ticket pack** for the weekend for one lucky winner who will get to enjoy three days of great music and real ale. The ticket pack includes a pair of adult weekend tickets, camping ticket and up to three under 12 child tickets.

All you have to do to be in with a chance of winning this amazing prize is answer this simple question.

Q: Which artist in the lineup founded Fairport Convention?

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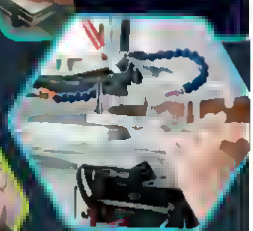
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Closing date: Sunday July 16

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Live music is one of the Classic's popular attractions. The Bootleg Beatles are topping the line-up on Friday while Saturday's bill includes former Spandau Ballet front man Tony Hadley.

But the entertainment doesn't stop there. A vintage funfair, air displays, hot air balloons, streetcar shoot outs, 4x4 passenger experiences, Spitfire demonstrations, crazy golf, a huge shopping village, an adrenaline zone and a live eBay restoration are all included in the cost of admission.

Indeed, all tickets include free entrance to racing paddocks, trackside grandstands plus the live music concerts and many of the activities. Adult admission is from just £43 and full details can be found on the www.silverstoneclassic.com website.

Win tickets!

To be in with a chance of winning, go to the website and answer the following simple question.

Q: Tony Hadley was the lead singer of which chart-topping band? Spandau Ballet, Duran Duran or Human League?

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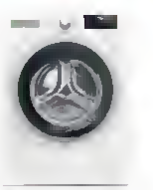


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8 Everlasting (7)
10 Firedog (7)
11 Unit of weight (5)
12 Wash lightly (5)
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16 Disparaged (9)
19 Digit (5)
20 Reverie (5)
22 Dignify (7)
23 Alighting (7)
24 Unforeseen (6)

Quick Clues Down

1 Begin a journey (3,3)
2 Edible seed (4)
3 Beyond description (13)
5 Mutual agreement (13)
6 Toughness (6)
7 Made taut (6)
9 Slow stately musical passage (5)
14 Sent back (8)
15 Greek city (6)
17 Discussion group (5)
18 Injury (6)
21 Narrative poem (4)

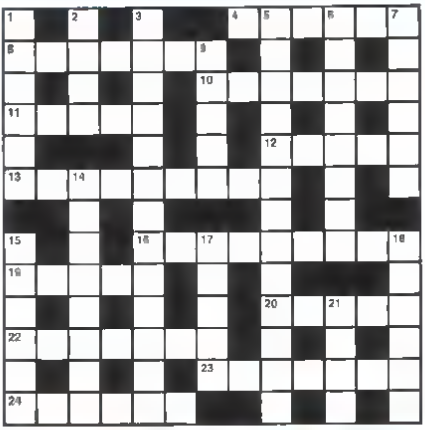
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Cryptic Clues Across

4 Cheats at cards? (6)
8 But strong drink on Saturday and Sunday? (4,3)
10 All tear sideways (7)
11 Understand the subject on hand (5)
12 Where one cannot expect a warm welcome? (5)
13 A tailor's right to be upset about men's clothes (9)
16 An April display presumably (5,4)
19 The battleground is some land round the north (5)
20 One needs drive to make a go of it (5)
22 Last in bed got blown up (7)
23 Hang it! (7)
24 Songbirds? (6)

Cryptic Clues Down

1 Are they eaten by vegetarian cannibals? (6)
2 The way to embark (4)
3 Obviously he must be trained for the job (7,6)
5 Pharmacist who could have helped the three blind mice (6,7)
6 Sing joyfully in a US state (8)
7 Quickly surround gangster in the bar (6)
9 Heard in the alley by way of an excuse (5)
14 She upsets me in beads (8)
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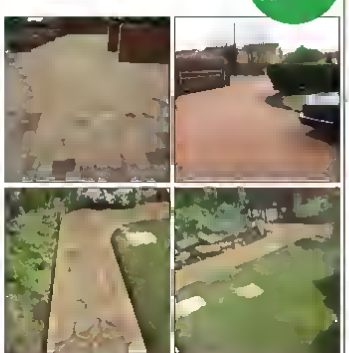
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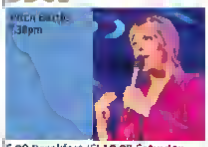
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6.00 Breakfast (S) **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live (S) **11.30** Mary Berry Cooks (S)(R) **12.00** BBC News: Weather (S) **12.15** Tu anie frere Easthourne (S) **3.00** Escape to the Country (S)(R) **3.30** FILM Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade (1989) (PG) (S) **5.25** BBC News (S) **5.35** BBC Regional News Weather (S) **5.45** Pointless Celebrities (S)(R) **6.30** Doctor Who (S)

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7.00 **Pitch Battle** The third heat of the choral contest gets under way (S)

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8.00 **Manchester International Festival Everyone Welcome** A tour of the city's biennial international arts festival.(S)

8.30 **Dad's Army** (S)(R)

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9.00 **Casualty** Sam steps down as medical director to take a more hands-on role in the ED. (S)

9.50 **BBC News: Weather** (S) National Lottery Update (S)

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10.10 FILM **Avengers Assemble (2012) (12)** Superhero adventure starring Robert Downey Jr, Chris Evans and Chris Hemsworth..(S)

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11.00 FILM **Sex & Drugs & Rock & Roll (2010) (15)** Biopic of influential punk singer Ian Dury With Andy Serkis and Bill Milner (S)

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12.25 **Weather for the Week Ahead** (S) **12.30** BBC News (S)

12.50 FILM **The Deep (2012) (12)** Face-based drama starring Olafur Darri Olafsson. **2.30** This Is BBC Two (S)

BBC2



8.30 FILM **The Maggie (1954) (U)** (S) **10.00** **Monty Halls' Great Irish Escape** (S)(R) **11.00** **Homes Under the Hammer** (S)(R) **12.00** **Food & Drink** (S)(R) **12.30** **Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **1.15** **Peter D'Tools' Talking Pictures** (S)(R) **2.00** FILM **Kidnapped (1960) (PG)** (S) **3.30** **Money for Nothing** (S)(R) **4.15** **Flog It!** (S)(R) **5.00** **Gardeners' World** (S)(R) **6.00** **The Day the Dinosaurs Died** (S)(R)

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7.00 **Nature's Wildest Weapons. Horns Tusks and Antlers. Natural World** How animals use their bodies as weapons (S)(R)

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9.00 **Melvyn Bragg on TV: The Box that Changed the World** Melvyn Bragg is joined by celebrity guests as he explores the impact television has made on British culture (S)

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11.00 **ITV News:** Weather (S) **11.25** **Inbound** Seau Fletcher hosts the quickfire quiz. (S)(R)

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12.25 **Jackpot247** **3.00** Who's Doing the Dishes? (S)(R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen

ITV



6.00 **CITV** **8.25** **ITV News** (S) **8.30** **Weekend** (S) **9.25** **The Home Game** (S)(R) **10.25** FILM **Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone (2001) (PG)** (S) **1.15** **ITV News:** Weather (S) **1.30** **ITV Racing: Live from Newcastle.** (S) **4.00** **The Chase** (S)(R) **5.00** **Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs** (S)(R) **5.30** **Little Big Shots US** (S) **6.25** **ITV Regional News,** Weather (S) **6.35** **ITV News** (S) **6.45** **Catchphrase** (S)

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7.30 **The Voice Kids** The Junior version of the talent contest continues. (S)

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9.00 FILM **Quantum of Solace (2008) (12)** Spy thriller sequel with Daniel Craig and Olga Kurylenko (S)

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10.25 FILM **Last Vegas (2013) (12)** Four sixtysomething friends decide to relive their wild youth with a trip to Las Vegas Comedy with Michael Douglas, Robert De Niro. (S)

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12.30 **Ramsay's Hotel Hell** (S)(R) **1.15** **Hollyoaks** (S) **3.15** **Ackley Bridge** (S)(R) **4.10** **Location, Location, Location** (S)(R) **5.05** **Kirstie's Fit Your House for Free** (S)(R) **5.15** **Fifteen to One** (S)(R)

Channel 4



6.10 **3rd Rock from the Sun** (S)(R) **6.35** **Mobil 1 The Grid** (S) **7.05** **Motor Sport: Ypres Rally** (S) **7.35** **Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **8.25** **Frasier** (S)(R) **10.00** **The Big Bang Theory** (S)(R) **11.20** **The Simpsons** (S)(R) **12.50** **Four in a Bed** (S)(R) **3.35** **A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** (S)(R) **4.35** **Big House, Little House** (S) **5.35** **Kirstie and Phil's Love It or List It** (S)(R) **6.30** **Channel 4 News** (S)

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7.00 **The Autistic Gardener** Alan Gardner plans to transform two adjoining back gardens into one big playground. Last in the series. (S)

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8.00 FILM **Life of Pi (2012) (PG)** Adventure starring Suraj Sharma and Irrfan Khan (S)

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6.00 **Milkshake!** **10.15** **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles** (S)(R) **10.50** **Dogs Make You Laugh Out Loud 2** (S)(R) **11.15** **Police Interceptors** (S)(R) **1.10** **The Great British Benefits Handout** (S)(R) **2.10** **The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door** (S)(R) **4.05** **Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away** (S)(R) **6.00** **5 News Weekend** (S) **6.05** **Funniest Dogs Behaving Badly** (S)(R)

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7.00 **Blind Date** Paul O Grady helps a gentlemanly soldier and a bubbly finance director – both from Manchester. (S)

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8.00 **Greatest Celebrity Wind-Ups Ever!** Joe Pasquale revisits hilarious celebrity pranks. (S)

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9.00 **Big Brother** Daily round-up of highlights, featuring the latest tasks, games, arguments, laughs, diary room visits and bedroom chit-chat. Narrated by Marcus Bentley (S)

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10.05 **Moments That Rocked Talent Shows** A journey through the instances that rocked the genre and the fall-out that followed (S)(R)

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11.30 **Lip Sync Battle UK: Rufus Hound v Jorgie Porter** The comedian and actress compete. (S)(R)

11.55 **Access** (S)

AFTER 12

12.00 **SuperCasino 3** **1.10** FILM **Vampire Academy (2014) (12)** Premiere. Fantasy starring Zoey Deutch. (S) **4.50** **Great Artists** (S)(R) **5.15** **Wildlife SOS** (S)(R) **5.40** **Angels of Jarm** (S)(R) **5.50** **Roary the Racing Car** (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **6.25** You've Been Framed! Gold: Trip 100 Holidays **7.10** Emmerdale **9.00** Coronation Street **11.00** Take Me Out **12.10** You've Been Framed! Gold Harry's Favourites **1.10** FILM Dragonheart (1996) (PG) **2.15** FYI Daily **2.20** FILM Dragonheart (1996) (PG) Concluded. **3.10** FILM Beethoven's 2nd (1993) (U) Concluded. **5.00** FILM Flubber (1997) (U) Children's comedy remake starring Robin Williams. **6.00** FYI Daily **6.05** FILM Flubber (1997) (U) **6.50** FILM The Wedding Planner (2001) (PG) Romantic comedy with Jennifer Lopez and Matthew McConaughey. **7.50** FYI Daily **7.55** FILM The Wedding Planner (2001) (PG) Concluded. **9.00** Love Island: The Weekly Hot List **10.00** Celebrity Juice **10.30** Family Guy **12.20** American Dad! **12.45** FILM I Got Him to the Greek (2010) (15) **2.45** FYI Daily **2.50** FILM Get Him to the Greek (2010) (15) **3.00** Teleshopping **5.00** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Judge Judy **9.20** Murder She Wrote **8.10** The Darling Buds of May **9.20** FILM The Sign of Four (2001) (PG) **11.40** Inspector Morse **1.00** Hans Christian Andersen: My Life as a Fairy Tale **3.50** Wycliffe **4.50** Agatha Christie's Marple **9.00** Foyle's War **11.00** Law & Order: UK **2.00** ITV3 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 Britain and the Sea **8.00** Nature's Great Events **9.00** FILM Non-Stop (2012) (15) Premiere. Fact-based drama starring Paul Sverre Hagen. **10.50** Top of the Pops: 1994 **11.50** Old Grey Whistle Test: 70s Gold **1.20** The Who at the Electric Proms **2.10** Totally British: 70s Rock 'n' Roll **3.10** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 26

6.00 Ridiculous! Tube **6.25** Couples Come Dine with Me **8.30** Kevin Can Wait **9.00** New Girl **10.00** Melissa & Joey **12.30** The Goldbergs **1.50** FILM Tooth Fairy (2010) (PG) **3.00** The Big Bang Theory **5.00** FILM Thor (2011) (12) Fantasy adventure starring Chris Hemsworth. **10.15** The Inbetweeners **11.20** Gogglebox **1.30** Tattoo Fixers **2.25** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **3.10** The Inbetweeners **4.05** How I Met Your Mother **4.45** Rude(ish) Tube

MDRE4 SKY: 133 FV: 14

6.55 Food Unwrapped **9.30** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away **1.40** Come Dine with Me **4.15** Four in a Bed **7.00** Great Canal Journeys: India **8.00** Rivers with Jeremy Paxman **9.00** It Was Alright in the 1990s **10.00** It Was Alright in the 1980s **11.10** 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **1.10** It Was Alright in the 1960s **2.20** It Was Alright in the 1930s **3.20** 8 Out of 10 Cats **4.00** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Stuart Little (1999) (U) **1.00** Hugo (2011) (U) **3.25** Dunston Checks In (1996) (PG) Family comedy starring Jason Alexander. **5.10** The Rewrite (2014) (12) Romantic comedy with Hugh Grant and Marisa Tomei. **7.20** Chronicle (2012) (12) Sci-fi thriller starring Dane DeHaan. **9.00** Bad Neighbours (2014) (15) Comedy starring Seth Rogen and Zac Efron **10.50** Extraterrestrial (2014) (15) Sci-fi horror starring Brittany Allen. **12.50** Five Days to Veneno (1978) (18) **3.05** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.00 Home Shopping **7.30** Lizard Lick Towing **7.35** Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge **8.25** Top Gear **10.30** Dara O Briain's Go 8 Bit **11.30** Go 8 Bit: DLC **11.00** The Joy of Tachs **1.00** Traffic Cops **3.00** Sin City Motors **5.00** Top Gear **8.00** Top Gear: Botswana Special **7.00** Top Gear **8.00** Dynamo: Magician Impossible **5.00** FILM Lethal Weapon 3 (1992) (15) Action thriller sequel with Mel Gibson and Danny Glover. **11.20** Dave Gorman: Modern Life is Goodish **12.20** Qi XL **1.20** Would I Lie to You? **2.00** Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You **2.80** Mock the Week **3.20** Game of Arms **4.00** Home Shopping

DRAMA SKY: 138 FV: 20

7.20 The Last Detective **10.00** When the Boat Comes In **11.00** Sniper **1.10** When the Boat Comes In **5.00** Open All Hours **5.40** Porridge **7.00** Hetty Wainthropp Investigates **8.00** Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries **9.00** Taggart **11.55** Waking the Dead **2.00** Fallen Angel **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Duck Quacks Don't Echo **6.30** British and Irish Lions Tour **7.30** NCIS: Los Angeles **12.30** Futurama **3.00** David Attenborough's Conquest of the Skies **4.00** Modern Family **7.00** Rugby's Funniest Moments **8.00** Duck Quacks Don't Echo **9.00** A League of Their Own US Road Trip **2.0 10.00** Kent Alkington: The Meaning of Life **11.00** The Simpsons **12.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **3.00** Most Daring **4.00** It's Me or the Dog **5.00** Zoo Tales **5.30** RSPCA Animal Rescue

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

8.00 Fish Town **9.00** The British **11.00** Open Your Eyes **11.45** Good Job: Stories of the FDNY **1.00** House **4.00** Without a Trace **9.00** Game of Thrones **11.20** Last Week Tonight with John Oliver **12.00** Real Time with Bill Maher **1.10** Game of Thrones **2.25** The Putin Interviews **3.35** Nurse Jackie **4.10** The British

W SKY: 109

6.10 Judge Faith **7.00** Inside the Ambulance **8.00** The Q List **10.00** EastEnders **3.35** Jamie's Money Saving Meals **5.00** Dave's Attenborough's Natural Curiosities **5.00** My Family **8.00** One Born Every Minute **9.00** FILM The Pelican Brief (1993) (12) Legal thriller starring Julia Roberts. **11.55** Criminal Minds. Beyond Borders **12.50** Grimm **1.40** The Strain **2.30** Judge Faith **3.00** Home Shopping

GOLD SKY: 110

7.05 The Two Ronnies **8.35** The Interviews **9.35** One Foot in the Grave **10.10** Last of the Summer Wine **12.10** We're Doomed! The Dad's Army Story **1.30** Only Fools and Horses **3.00** Mrs Brown's Boys **11.00** The Young Ones **12.30** Black Books **1.35** FILM Still Holding: Its Just a Ride (1994) (18) **2.35** Gavin Maxwell's Derbyjace **3.30** House of Fools **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

8.00 Football Gold **7.00** UEFA European Under-21s Championship Football **7.30** Live British and Irish Lions Tour **11.10** UEFA European Under-21s Championship Football **11.45** Football Gold **12.00** Premier League Legends **1.00** British and Irish Lions Tour **2.00** Sky Sports Racing Gold **3.00** UEFA European Under-21s Championship Football **3.30** British and Irish Lions Tour **4.30** Football Gold **4.00** Betfred Super League Highlights **4.55** Live Betfred Super League: Catalans Dragons v Leigh Centurions (kick-off 5.00pm) **7.00** Sky Sports Racing Gold **7.30** Live Fight Night: Frank Buglioni v Ricky Summers. **11.30** Sky Sports Racing Gold **12.00** Live MLS **2.00** Premier League Years **4.00** British and Irish Lions Tour **5.00** Premier League 100 Club **5.30** Spanish Football Gold



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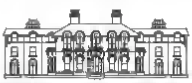
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DAYTIME

10 00 Sunday Morning Live (S) 11 00 Sunday Politics (S) 12 15 Bargain Hunt (S)(R) 1 00 BBC News; Weather (S) 1.15 Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R) 2.00 Money for Nothing (S)(R) 2.45 Escape to the Country (S)(R) 3 45 Eat Well for Less? (S)(R) 4 45 Songs of Praise (S) 5.20 Sue Barker: Our Wimbledon (S) 6 35 BBC News (S) 6 50 BBC Regional News, Weather (S)

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7 00 Countryfile Ellie Harrison meets a family making cordials and presses using their own elderflowers. (S)

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8.00 Antiques Roadshow Fiona Bruce introduces unscreened items from recent shows. (S)

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9.00 Poldark A grain ship is raided by starving villagers, and George arranges a harsh punishment for them. Ross is not convinced by news that the British officers are to be set free. (S)

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10.00 BBC News (S)
10.29 BBC Regional News; Weather
10 30 Miranda Hart – My Whet I Call Live Show A filmed performance of stand-up comedy sketches. (S)(R)

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11 30 The Week the Landlords Moved In (S)(R)

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12 30 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) 12 35 BBC News (S)

BBC2



8.05 The Beechgrove Garden (S) 8.35 Countryfile (S)(R) 9 35 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites (S) 11 05 Wimbledon 2017 Review (S) 12.00 Athletics: Diamond League Highlights (S) 1.00 Athletics: World Championship Team Trials (S) 5.00 Inside the Factory: How Our Favourite Foods Are Made (S)(R) 6.00 The Fifties: Billion Pound Railway: The Final Countdown (S)(R)

7 00 Dragons' Den The panel assesses more money-spinning ideas. Evan Davis presents. (S)(R)

9 30 The Loch Annie's loyalty to Leighton is shaken when she realises his affair is a lie. Craig Fettie becomes a suspect, but he quickly turns the tables on the police under questioning. (S)

10.30 ITV News; Weather (S)
10.50 Lethal Weapon Riggs attachment to Karen Palmer deepens (S)(R)

11.45 Take Me Out Dating game hosted by Paddy McGuinness (S) (R)

12.40 Jackpot247 3.00 Motorsport UK (S) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

ITV



6 00 CITV 8 25 ITV News (S) 8.30 Weekend (S) 9.25 Judge Rinder (S)(R) 11 20 Tipping Point (S)(R) 12 25 ITV News; Weather (S) 12.35 Rabushka (S)(R) 1.35 The Voice Kids (S)(R) 3.05 Beat Grylls Survival School (S)(R) 3.30 FILM Hulk (2003) (12) (S) 6.05 ITV Regional News, Weather (S) 6 15 ITV News (S) 6 30 Live 2017 FIFA Confederations Cup The final (kick-off 7.00pm) (S)

9 00 The Handmaid's Tale When a trade delegation from Mexico comes to Gilead, Offred discovers several shocking secrets. (S)

10 15 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown With David O'Doherty, Johnny Vegas, Jamie Laing and Holly Walsh (S)(R)

11.10 FILM Trance (2013) (15) Crime thriller, starring James McAvoy and Rosario Dawson. (S)

1.00 Gamsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA (S)(R) 1.50 The Last Leg (S)(R) 2.45 KOTV Boxing Weekly (S) 3.15 Gillette World Sport (S) 3.40 Model 1 The Grid (S)(R) 4.10 Selling Houses with Amanda Lamb (S) 5.05 Location Location Location (S)(R)

Channel 4



6 10 3rd Rock from the Sun (S)(R) 7.00 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) 7.55 Frasier (S)(R) 8 55 Eating Well with Hemsley + Hemsley (S) 9-30 Sunday Brunch (S) 12 30 Eat the Week (S) 1 30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces (S)(R) 2 30 FILM Dante's Peak (1997) (12) (S) 4.35 A Place in the Sun - Winter Sun (S)(R) 5 35 Homes by the Sea (S) 6 30 Channel 4 News (S)

7 00 Grand Designs Kevin McCloud follows software executive Andy and garden designer Nicki, who are planning to build a "floating" house on the Thames. (S)(R)

8.00 Dunkirk: The New Evidence Documentary examining the famous Second World War evacuation of Allied soldiers. (S)

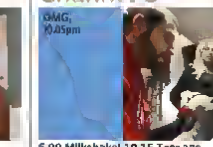
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6.00 Milkshake! 10 15 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (S) 10 55 The Gadget Show (S)(R) 11 45 Police Interceptors (S)(R) 2.40 FILM Made of Honor (2008) (12) Romantic comedy starring Patrick Dempsey and Michelle Monaghan. (S) 4 40 FILM 13 Going on 30 (2004) (12) (S) 5.40 5 News Update (S) 5 45 FILM 13 Going on 30 (2004) (12) (S) 6 30 FILM The Flintstones (1994) (U) (S)

8.05 That's So 1984 A year that saw the Brighton hotel bombing and Tory II and Dean win gold. (S)(R)
6.55 5 News Weekend (S)

9.00 Big Brother Daily round-up of highlights, featuring the latest tasks, games, arguments, laughs, diary room visits and bedroom chit-chat. Narrated by Marcus Bentley. (S)

10 05 OMG The story of a woman who has made several extreme changes to her body, including amputating a finger. Plus people with large amounts of body piercing and tattoos. (S)

11 05 FILM The View (2012) (12) Romantic drama, with Rachel McAdams and Channing Tatum. (S)

1.05 SuperCasino 3.10 The Hotel Inspector (S)(R) 4.00 Britain's Greatest Bridges (S)(R) 4.50 Great Artists (S)(R) 5.15 Wildlife SOS (S)(R) 5.40 Angels of Harm (S)(R) 5 50 Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY 118 FV 6

8.00 The Vampa. The Hot Desk 8.10 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records: Bonkingly Big Hits 7 00 You've Been Framed! Gold 7.20 Emmerdale 8 10 Coronation Street 11.10 The Voice Kids 12.45 FILM The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas (2000) (PG) Family comedy prequel starring Mark Addy. 1.45 FYI Daily 1.50 FILM The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas (2000) (PG) Concluded. 2.35 FILM A Cinderella Story (2004) (PG) Romantic comedy starring Hilary Duff and Chad Michael Murray. 3.25 FYI Daily 3.40 FILM A Cinderella Story (2004) (PG) Concluded. 4.30 FILM Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2005) (PG) Children's fantasy starring Johnny Depp. 5.20 FYI Daily 5.35 FILM Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2005) (PG) Concluded. 6.45 FILM: Step Up 3 (2010) (12) Dance drama sequel starring Rick Malambri. 7.45 FYI Daily 7 00 FILM: Step Up 3 (2010) (12) Concluded. 9.00 Love Island 10.00 Love Island: Aftersun 11 00 Family Guy 12.30 American Dad! 1.00 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 2.25 Teleshopping 5.00 ITV2 Nightscreen

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6 00 George and Mildred 6.25 Hans Christian Andersen: My Life as a Fairy Tale 8.10 Heartbeat 10.20 Murder She Wrote 11.25 The Darling Buds of May 12.40 Bert and Elizabeth 2.00 Wycliffe 3.55 Foyle's War 5 00 Agatha Christie's Marple 6.00 The Bonze Cruise 10.05 Law & Order: UK 12.05 Wire in the Blood 3.30 May the Best House Win 5.10 Rising Damp 5.35 ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9

7 00 Handmade in Japan: Samurai Sword 7.30 Handmade in Japan: The Kimono 8.00 Handmade in Japan: Pottery 8.30 Schonbrunn Summer Night Concert, from Vienna 10 00 Oink: Man Loves Pig - Story's Over 11.20 Climate Change by Numbers 12 35 Darwin's Struggle: The Evolution of the Origin of Species 1.30 Nature's Great Events 2.35 Blowing at the Movies: Kings of the Ring 3.35 Close

E4 SKY 136 FV 28

6.00 Rude(ish) Tube 6.25 Couples Come Dine with Me 8.25 Hollyoaks 11.00 The Goldbergs 12.30 FILM: Ferris Bueller's Day Off (1986) (12) Comedy starring Matthew Broderick. 2.35 The Big Bang Theory 5.00 The Crystal Maze: Celebrity Special 9.00 FILM The Inbetweeners Movie (2011) (15) Comedy starring Joe Thomas. 11.00 FILM Underworld: Awakening (2012) (18) Action fantasy starring Kate Beckinsale. 12.45 Rude Tube 1 50 8 Out of 10 Cats 2.35 How I Met Your Mother 3.20 Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY 138 FV 14

6.55 Location Location Location 12.05 Come Dine with Me 2.50 Four in a Bed 5.25 Come Dine with Me 6.00 The Secret Life of the Zoo 9.00 Father Ted 10.05 Parenting for Idiots 11.05 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 11.10 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 1.15 Father Ted 2.20 Parenting for Idiots 3.20 8 Out of 10 Cats Uncut 4.00 Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15

11.00 The Ladykillers (1955) (U) Ealing black comedy starring Alec Guinness. 1.00 The Parent Trap (1961) (PG) Disney comedy starring Hayley Mills. 3.35 Mammals on the Riviera (2014) (U) Premiere. Children's animation with the voice of Russell Tovey. 5.10 Evolution (2001) (PG) Sci-fi comedy starring David Duchovny. 7.20 Airplane! (1980) (15) Spoof disaster movie starring Robert Hays. 9 00 The Monuments Men (2014) (12) Fact-based Second World War drama directed by and starring George Clooney. 11.25 Monsters (2010) (12) Sci-fi drama with Whitney Able and Scoot McNairy. 1.10 Sullhead (2011) (15) Crime thriller starring Matthias Schoenaerts. 3.50 Close

DAVE SKY 111 FV 12

8.00 Home Shopping 7.10 Top Gear 9.00 Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge 10 00 Traffic Cops 12 00 Top Gear 2.30 Top Gear: Botswana Special 3.30 The Joy of Techs 4.30 Dara O Briain's Go 8 Bit 5.30 Go 8 Bit. OLC 6.00 Red Bull Soapbox Race 7.00 Top Gear 8.00 Traffic Cops 9 00 Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You 10.00 Taskmaster 11.00 Live at the Apollo 12.00 QI XL 1.00 Mock the Week 3.00 Game of Arms 4.00 Home Shopping

DRAMA SKY 158 FV 20

7.00 The 9 11 10.00 Call the Midwife 2.00 Catherine Cookson's The Cinder Path 5.45 The Musketeers 7.00 The Mrs Bradley Mysteries 8.00 Mercy Street 9 00 Silent Witness 11.10 Spooks 12.35 Fallen Angel 3.30 Garden Hopping 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY 106

6.00 Hour of Power 7.00 Futurama 9.30 Duck Quacks Don't Echo 10.00 Drone Racing League 12 00 WWE Raw Hits 1.00 It's Me or the Dog 3 00 Flying Monsters with David Attenborough 4.30 Modern Family 6.30 The Simpsons 8.00 A League of Their Own: US Road Trip 2.0 9 00 Mount Pleasant. In a one-off final visit to the cul-de-sac, a job offer presents Lisa with a life-changing dilemma in which she may have to leave friends and family behind. Sally Lindsay stars. 10.30 Football's Funniest Moments 11.00 A League of Their Own: Unseen 12.00 A League of Their Own 2.00 Ross Kemp: Extreme World 2 00 Night Cops 3.00 A League of Their Own 4.00 It's Me or the Dog 5.00 RSPCA Animal Rescue

SKY ATLANTIC SKY 108

6.00 Fish Town 5.00 The British 11.00 House 2 00 The Putin Interviews 3.10 Blue Bloods 9.00 Riviera 10.00 Real Time with Bill Maher 11.10 Veep 11 45 Game of Thrones 12.05 Twin Peaks: The Return 2.05 Blue Bloods 3.00 Nurse Jackie 4.10 The British

W SKY 109

6.00 Passport Patrol 8.30 Your Home in Three Hands 8.00 MasterChef USA 1.00 Doctor Who 3 00 My Family 5.00 Outnumbered 7 00 The Blue Planet 8.00 Educating Yorkshire 9 00 Criminal Minds: Beyond Borders 10.00 Luther 11.20 Louis Theroux: Gambling in Las Vegas 12.20 Hell copter Heroes 1.10 Grimm 2.00 The Strain 3.00 Home Shopping

GOLD SKY 110

7 20 One Foot in the Grave 7.50 The Interviews 8.50 We're Doomed! The Dad's Army Story 10.30 Only Fools and Horses 5.00 Mrs Brown's Boys 11.00 Men Behaving Badly 12.20 Inside No 9 1.40 The Life of Rock with Brian Pern 2.55 Limmy's Show 4.00 Home Shopping

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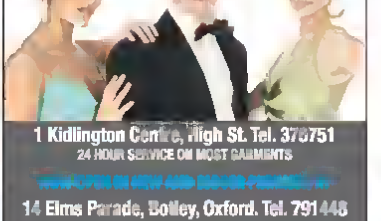
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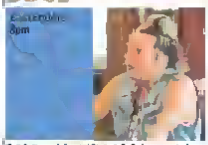


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DAYTIME

BBC1



6.00 Breakfast (S) **9.15** Crimewatch Roadshow (S) **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R) **11.00** Kitchen Garden Live with the Hairy Bikers (S) **11.45** Caught Red Handed (S)(R) **12.15** Bargain Hunt (S) **1.00** BBC News at One Weather (S) **1.30** BBC Regional News and Weather (S) **1.45** Wimbledon 2017 (S) **6.00** BBC News at Six Weather (S) **6.30** BBC Regional News and Weather (S)

7.00 The One Show (S)
7.30 Bua Wers New series. Documentary charting the work of tourist buses in Belfast (S) BBC News Regional News (S)

8.00 EastEnders Karen grows suspicious of Bernadette's unusual behaviour (S)
8.30 The Betrayed Girls Documentary about the Rochdale grooming scandal featuring testimonies from some of the victims and interviews with people who spoke out on behalf of the girls (S)

10.00 BBC News at Ten (S)
10.30 BBC In gional News and Weather (S)
10.45 Peter Kay's Comedy Shuffle Elton John makes a guest appearance. (S)(R)

11.15 Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You Katherine Ryan hosts with guests Joe Wilkinson and Gyles Brandreth. (S)(R)

12.00 The Graham Norton Show (S) (R) **12.00** Granada/ITV The Spot Lunajle Show (S) **12.50** Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **12.55** BBC News (S)

BBC2



6.15 The TV That Made Me (S)(R) **6.45** Flog It! Trade Secrets (S)(R) **7.15** Bargain Hunt (S)(R) **8.00** Sign Zone. Antiques Roadshow Fiona Bruce presents the show from the Lake District (S)(R) **8.00** Victoria Derbyshire News and current affairs. (S) **11.00** Daily Politics (S) **11.30** Wimbledon 2017 Live coverage of the opening day's play at the All England Club (S)

8.30 Today at Wimbledon Clare Balding introduces highlights of the opening day's play at the All England Club (S)

8.30 Ripper Street Nathaniel Dove goes into hiding deep in Hackney Marshes where his brother Augustus intends to keep him safe until Reid's captive and incarceration have been secured

10.30 Newsnight (S)

11.10 Weather (S)
11.15 Natural World. Sudan: The Last of the Rhinos (S)(R)

12.15 Sign Zone: Countryfile (S)(R) **1.10** Horizon Antarctica Ice Station Rescue (S)(R) **2.10** This Is BBC Two (S) **5.55** The TV That Made Me (S)(R)

ITV



6.00 Good Morning Britain (S) **8.30** Lorraine (S) **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show (S) **10.30** This Morning (S) **12.30** Loose Women (S) **1.30** ITV News (S) **1.55** ITV Regional News (S) **2.00** Judge Rinder (S)(R) **3.00** David Dickinson's Name Your Price (S) **3.50** ITV Regional Weather (S) **4.00** Tipping Point (S)(R) **5.00** The Chase (S)(R) **6.00** ITV Regional News (S) **6.30** ITV Evening News; Weather (S)

7.00 Emmerdale Rhona is fearful after learning who was behind the break-ins. (S)
7.30 Coronation Street Chesney is stabbed at the Bistro. (S)

8.00 Amazing Animal Births Lucy Cooke heads to an alpaca farm. (S)
8.30 Coronation Street (S)

9.00 Fearless The forensic evidence seem to be proving Kevin's innocence but the prosecution has other ideas. (S)

10.00 ITV News; Weather (S)
10.30 ITV Regional News Weather (S)
10.45 Killer Women with Piers Morgan Piers travels to Homestead Correctional Institution in Florida. (S)(R)

11.45 The Kyle Files Jeremy Kyle tackles high-profile issues. (S)(R)

12.15 Jackpot 247 **3.00** The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

Channel 4



6.35 Frasier (S)(R) **10.05** Undercover Boss USA (S)(R) **11.00** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun (S)(R) **12.00** Channel 4 News (S) **12.08** Couples Come Dine with Me (S)(R) **1.05** Posh Pawnbrokers (S)(R) **2.10** Countdown (S) **3.00** A Place in the Sun Winter Sun (S)(R) **4.00** Best of Both Worlds (S) **5.00** Four in a Bed (S)(R) **5.30** Come Dine with Me (S)(R) **6.00** The Simpsons (S)(R) **6.30** Hollyoaks (S)

7.00 Channel 4 News (S)

8.00 Secrets of Your Cruise: Channel 4 Dispatches (S)
8.30 How to Stay Well (S)

9.00 24 Hours in Police Custody Officers interview a care worker who has been taken into custody (S)

10.00 50 Shades of Gay Rupert Everett explores the changes in gay life in the 50 years since the decriminalisation of male homosexuality in England and Wales in 1967. (S)

11.05 24 Hours in A&E An 18-year-old is rushed in after breaking his leg while playing football and a young man is involved in a high-speed car crash. (S)(R)

12.10 Bodyshockers: Nips, Tucks and Tattoos (S)(R) **1.05** The Simpsons (S)(R) **2.00** The Secret Life of the Zoo (S)(R) **2.55** Supershoppers (S)(R) **3.25** Trad and Tasted The Ultimate Shopping List (S)(R) **3.55** Selling Houses with Amanda Lamb (S)

Channel 5



6.00 Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff **11.15** House Doctor (S)(R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime (S) **12.15** Big Brother (S)(R) **1.10** Access (S) **1.15** Home and Away (S) **1.45** Neighbours (S) **2.20** NCIS: Los Angeles (S)(R) **3.20** FILM Stalking Elizabeth (2014) (S) **5.00** 5 News at 5 (S) **5.30** Neighbours (S)(R) **6.00** Home and Away (S)(R) **6.30** 5 News Tonight (S)

7.00 MotoGP Highlights The Grand Prix of Germany. Action from the ninth round of the season (S) 5 News Update (S)

8.00 All New Traffic Cops Officers crack down on uninsured drivers, (S) 5 News Update (S)

9.00 Eamonn & Ruth Do Dubai New series. Eamonn Holmes and Ruth Langsford return to explore the extravagant lifestyles of the super-rich (S) 5 News Update (S)

10.00 Big Brother Daily round-up of highlights featuring the latest tasks games arguments, laughs, diary room visits and bedroom chit-chat. Narrated by Marcus Bentley (S)

11.00 Big Brother's Bit on the Side Rylan Clark-Neal presents the live Big Brother companion show (S)

12.05 Celebrity Botched Up Bodies (S)(R) **1.00** SuperCasino **3.10** The Great British Bonefits Handont (S)(R) **4.00** My Mum's Hotter Than Me (S)(R) **4.45** House Doctor (S)(R) **5.10** House Busters (S)(R) **5.35** Wildlife SOS (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY 115 FV 6

6.00 Zara Larsson. Thu Hot Desk **8.10** You've Been Framed Gold **8.30** Vindmpum Rules **7.20** The Ellen DeGeneres Show **8.00** Emmerdale **8.25** Coronation Street **9.25** Scorp on **10.15** Below Deck **11.25** Vanderpump Rules **12.20** Emmerdale **12.05** Coronation Street **2.00** The Ellen DeGeneres Show **2.50** The Jeremy Kyle Show **3.00** Judge Rinder **3.00** You've Been Framed Gold **3.00** Two and a Half Men **3.00** Love Island **3.00** Family Guy **11.00** American Dad! **11.00** Celebability **12.00** Two and a Half Men **1.35** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.05** The Vamps. The Hot Desk **2.15** Taleshop nc **5.05** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY 119 FV 10

6.00 Man About the House **6.25** Heartbeat **7.20** Where the Heart Is **8.25** Wild at Heart **9.30** Judge Judy **10.55** Road to Avonlea **11.55** Love Your Garden **1.00** Heartbeat **2.00** The Royal **3.00** Wild at Heart **4.10** Man About the House **4.40** Raising Gemp **5.20** George and Mildred **5.55** Heartbeat **6.55** Murder She Wrote **8.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **10.00** Law & Order: UK **11.00** The Street **12.15** The Blonde Bombshell **2.20** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY 116 FV 9

7.00 100 Onyx+ Weather **7.30** Great British Railway Journeys **8.00** Cnlous The Spectrum of Science **9.00** Science and Islam **10.00** The Hidden Art of Islam **11.00** The Secret Life of Verses **12.00** Hidden Kingdoms **1.00** Wye Voices from the Valley Natural World **1.50** Science and Islam **2.50** Celour The Spectrum of Science **3.00** Close

E4 SKY 136 FV 28

7.00 Made in Chelsea **LA 9.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **9.00** Melissa & Joey **10.00** Baby Daddy **11.00** How I Met Your Mother **11.00** New Girl **1.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **2.00** The Big Bang Theory **3.00** How I Met Your Mother **4.00** New Girl **5.00** 2 Broke Girls **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Hollyoaks **7.30** The Goldbergs **8.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Pinky & JP's Baby Born in Chelsea **10.00** Vloggerbox **11.05** Naked Attraction **11.10** The Big Bang Theory **1.10** Gogglebox **2.10** Pinky & JP's Baby Born in Chelsea **3.00** First Dates **4.00** New Girl

MORE4 SKY 138 FV 14

4.55 A Place in the Sun, Home or Away **10.00** Frua in a Red **12.40** A Place in the Sun, Home or Away **2.50** Time Team **4.50** Car SOS **8.50** The Supervet **7.00** Grand Designs **9.00** Ch ne s Forgotten Emperor **10.00** 24 Hours n A&E **11.00** 999: What's Your Emergency? **11.05** Ramsay s Kitchen Nightmares USA **1.00** 24 Hours n A&E **2.05** Grand Designs **3.10** 8 Out of 10 Cats Uncut **3.50** Close

FILM4 SKY 315 FV 15

11.00 The Lawless Breed (1953) (PG) **12.40** The Spy Who Came in from the Cold (1965) (PG) **2.50** The War Wagon (1967) (U) **4.05** The Great St Trinian s Train Robbery (1966) (PG) **7.00** The Phantom (1996) (12) **9.00** Wonders Dark Contnent (2014) (15) **11.20** The Impossible (2012) (12) **1.30** Family Business (1989) (15) **3.00** Close

DAVE SKY 111 FV 12

7.00 Goodly 60 **8.00** American Pickers **8.00** Storage Hunters **10.00** American Pickers **12.00** Deadly 60 **1.00** Top Gear **3.00** 8 diects **4.00** Steve Austin s Broken Skull Challenge **5.00** Top Gear **7.00** The Joy of Techs **8.00** Dave Go mon Modern Life is Goodish **9.00** Live at the Apollo **10.00** Dara O Br ain s Go d Bi **11.00** Go 8 at. DLC **11.30** Mock the Week **11.15** Would I Lie to You? — The Unwise Ass **12.50** Would I Lie to You? **1.20** Dara O Br ain s Go d Bi **2.30** Go 8 at. DLC **3.00** Game of Arms **4.00** Home Shopping

DRAMA SKY 158 FV 20

7.10 The Mid Bradley Mysteries **8.00** Pie in the Sky **9.00** Monarch of the Glen **10.00** All Creatures Great and Small **11.00** The Bill **1.00** Last of the Summer Wine **1.40** Wa ting for God **2.20** Ri ds of a Feather **3.00** Dangerfield **4.00** Monarch of the Glen **5.00** All Creatures Great and Small **6.00** Wa ting for God **6.40** Last of the Summer Wine **7.20** Keeping Up Appearances **8.00** New Tricks **9.00** Death In Paradise **10.10** Jonathan Creek **12.20** Ri ds of a Feather **1.00** Spooks **3.15** The Bill **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY 106

8.00 Road Wars **7.00** Hawaii Five-0 **8.00** Monkey Life **9.00** It s Me or the Dog **10.00** Nothing to Declare **11.00** Sanctuary **11.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **1.00** Hawaii Five-0 **3.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **4.00** Stargate Atlantis **6.00** Modern Family **8.00** Futurama **8.20** The Simpsons **9.00** A League of Their Own: US Road Trip **2.0** **10.00** A League of Their Own **11.00** Karl Pilkington: The Meaning of Life **12.00** A League of Their Own: US Road Trip **2.0** **1.00** The Force: Manchester **2.00** Hawaii Five-0 **3.00** A League of Their Own **4.00** Monkey Life **5.00** Highway Cops

SKY ATLANTIC SKY 108

6.00 Storm City **8.00** Richard E Grant s Hotel Sanssre **10.00** The West Wing **12.00** Without a Trace **7.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation **2.00** The British **4.00** The West Wing **8.00** Without a Trace **7.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation **8.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Game of Thrones **10.20** Last Week Tonight with John Oliver **10.00** Real Time with Bill Maher **12.00** FILM: The Wolfpack (2015) (15) **1.50** Game of Thrones **2.50** Blue Bloods **3.45** Nurse Jackie **4.10** The West Wing

W SKY 109

8.00 My Family **10.00** The Bill **11.00** Tipping Point **1.00** Jam s a 30 Minute Meals **2.00** MasterChef USA **3.00** Who Do You Think You Are? **4.00** My Family **6.00** Tipping Point **7.00** One Born Every Minute **8.00** MasterChef USA **9.00** The Dressing Room **10.00** Miranda **10.40** FastEnders **11.20** One Bo n Every Minute **12.20** MasterChef Australia **1.45** Countryside 999 **2.40** Judge Rinder **3.00** Home Shopping

GOLD SKY 110

7.00 The Th n Blue Line **7.35** Sorry! **8.10** As Time Goes By **8.50** Onc Foot in the Grave **9.30** Last of the Summer Wine **10.30** Only Fools and Horses **11.20** Open All Hours **2.00** As Time Goes By **2.40** Sorry! **3.20** One Foot in the Grave **4.00** Last of the Summer Wine **6.00** Open All Hours **6.40** Fawlty Towers **7.20** Only Fools and Horses **8.00** Mrs Brown s Boys **10.20** Live at the Apollo **11.20** Peep Show **11.55** Little Britain **12.35** Big School **1.10** Live at the Apollo **2.10** Little Britain **2.45** French and Saunders **3.20** Little Britain **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY 401

6.00 Premier League Legends **9.00** Premier League 100 Club **10.00** Premier League Years **11.00** Football's Greatest Teams **1.00** Great Sporting Moments **2.00** Premier League Legends **3.00** Spanish Football Gold **3.30** Fr tball League Gold **4.00** Football's Greatest Players **5.00** Premier League 100 Club **8.00** Premier League Legends **8.30** Football's Greatest Teams **9.00** Fight Night **11.00** Premier League Legends **11.00** Premier League 100 Club **1.00** Football's Greatest Teams **2.00** Premier League Years **4.00** Sporting Heroes: Denise Lewis Interviews Mary Peters



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ENTERTAINMENT & LEISURE

In search of American dream

By Samantha McGregor

A MAJOR touring revival of Arthur Miller's Pulitzer Prize winning masterpiece Death of a Salesman takes to the Oxford stage next month.

Widely considered to be one of the greatest plays of the 20th century, Death of a Salesman is about the cost of not being able to let go of the 'American dream'.

Directed by Abigail Graham, this production sees Olivier Award nominee Nicholas Woodeson, whose previous parts include The Audience, The Homecoming, and Rocket to the Moon, play the iconic central role of Willy Loman.

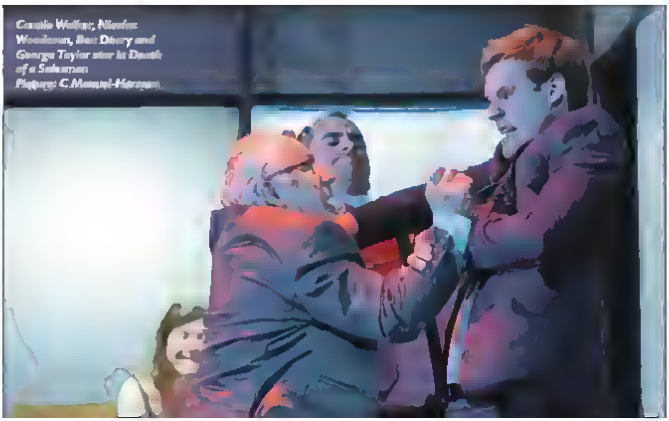
The production by the Royal and Derngate Northampton, comes to the Oxford Playhouse from Tuesday July 11, to Saturday, July 15.

Willy Loman is not as young as he once was and boy is he feeling it.

After half a lifetime on the road, this once successful travelling salesman is unable to keep up in a changing workplace – he's on the brink of unemployment, and he and his wife have got bills to pay.

When his drop-out son Biff moves home again, Willy decides to give success one last shot.

Can he prove to everyone he's got what it takes?



Camilla Walleyn, Nicholas Woodeson, Ben Dilnot and George Taylor star in Death of a Salesman. Photo: C.Manuel-Hinrichs.

Originally, the production was to star actor Tim Pigott-Smith. But, following his death on April 7 at the age of 70, Royal & Derngate Northampton decided to proceed only after close consultation with the acting company, creative team and touring partners.

Death of a Salesman was written by Miller in 1949 and received the Pulitzer Prize for Drama and Tony Award for Best Play in the same year.

The play premiered on Broadway in February 1949 and ran for 742 performances.

Tickets for Death of A Salesman at Oxford Playhouse start at £15 and are available from the ticket office on 01865 305305 or at oxfordplayhouse.com.

Meet Jesse at O2

MUSIC American singer songwriter Jesse Malin will headline at O2 Academy tonight.

The gig is the first of an extensive UK and US summer tour in support of his new EP Meet Me At The End Of The World.

Jesse said: "The songs were written on tour looking out the van window.

"We were driving around America just watching the frightening and embarrassing ascension of the current administration amidst a really dark and manipulative international media blitz."

For tickets go to o2academyoxford.co.uk

Carli's Collabro-ating

MUSIC Classical singer Carly Paoli, who has shared the stage with the likes of Andrea Bocelli, Jose Carreras and Elaine Paige, is set to perform alongside Britain's Got Talent winners Collabro.

Ahead of the tour, which takes in Oxford's New Theatre on Monday, November 6, Carly said: "To be able to perform with four guys who love the world of musical theatre as I do, is an absolute dream.

"I can't wait to be on stage with them and share my music with a British audience."



ENTERTAINMENT & LEISURE

Fairport's 50 years of music

By Samantha McGregor

FAIRPORT'S Cropredy Convention, the annual three-day festival staged by folk rock legends Fairport Convention, will celebrate the band's golden anniversary with an on-stage reunion.

The band's extended show on Saturday, August 12 will close the festival.

During the set the band will welcome a host of musical guests playing a repertoire selected from Fairport's huge back catalogue – the best from half a century of music.

There will be two chances at the Oxfordshire village of Cropredy to see singer-songwriter and guitar virtuoso Richard Thompson.

A co-founder of Fairport Convention, Richard will play a full set in his own right on Friday evening and will also join Fairport as a guest during their set.

Saturday will start with three performances from early years former members of Fairport – Ashley Hutchings, Judy Dyble and Iain Matthews.

Bass player Dave Pegg says: "Our Saturday night set this year will undoubtedly present the most Fairport members ever performing in the same show."

This year's festival line-up also includes bands including Feast of Fiddles, Show of Hands, the Trevor Horn Band, The Divine Comedy.

On the Friday there will be performances by BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Award winner as well as Gerry Colvin, Birmingham-based Quill who embrace many influences in their energetic brand of Celtic-hued rock, while Gigspanner make their first appearance at Cropredy in Big Band format.

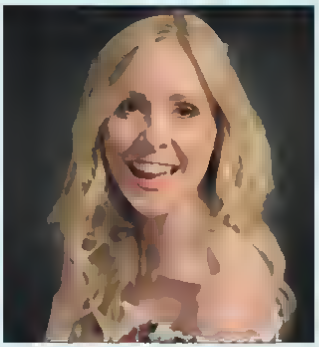
Also appearing on Friday is legendary music figure Petula Clark, who has enjoyed a string of Top 40 hits in the UK and around the world.

Her stellar career stretches back to 1949 yet Cropredy will be her first-ever UK music festival appearance.

Saturday will feature sets by Judy Dyble and the Band of Perfect Strangers, Marmitoo and power-pop seven piece Cats in Space.

Now in its 37th year Fairport's Cropredy Convention will take place on Thursday 10, Friday 11 and Saturday 12 August. For more information or tickets go to fairportconvention.com.





Dusty-ing off classics for new musical

X FACTOR finalist Diana Vickers and Bad Girls and Coronation Street star Debra Stephenson are set to appear in a new musical Son of a Preacher Man.

The show, featuring the music of Dusty Springfield, will take to the stage at the New Theatre in Oxford from October 24 to 28.

The musical, which is directed and choreographed by Strictly Come Dancing judge Craig Revel Horwood, will see Diana create the role of Kat and Debra in the role of Alison.

Set in the swinging 1960s it tells the story of three broken hearts, one Soho hang-out, and the only man who could ever help them – the Preacher Man.

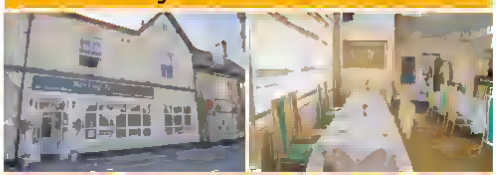
Featuring the greatest hits of Dusty Springfield including The Look Of Love, I Only Want To Be With You, Spooky and of course, the classic Son Of A Preacher Man.

Diana Vickers first came to public attention as a semi-finalist on the X Factor and has a string of West End credits under her belt.

As well as Coronation Street and Bad Girls Debra Stephenson is also an impressionist, best known as star of BBC One's The Impressions Show and Radio 4's Dead Ringers.

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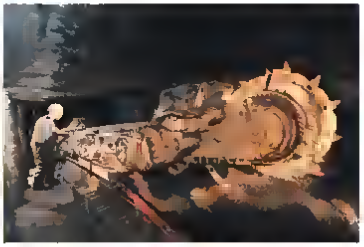
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ENTERTAINMENT & LEISURE

Searching for sweet sounds?

By Samantha McGregor

FIFTIES band The Searchers are set to drop into Banbury as part of a UK tour.

With six decades under their belt and a string of classic hits the band will perform at Banbury's Spiceball Leisure Centre, on Friday August 4.

Hear tunes such as Sweets For My Sweet, Sugar & Spice and When You Walk In The Room.

The line up today consists of stalwarts John McNally and Frank Allen aided and abetted by Spencer James, now virtually an old timer of more than 30 years' service, and 'new boy', Scott Ottaway on drums – six years plus to date.

The Searchers have toured constantly and continue to play between 150 and 200 concerts a year across the globe, including a six-week tour of Australia.

Formed in the late 1950s as a skiffle group by John McNally, he was quickly joined by guitarist Mike Pender, drummer Chris Curtis and bassist Tony Jackson.

With the addition of lead vocalist Johnny Sandon they soon grew into a solid five piece unit who commanded an impressive following in their home town of Liverpool.

When Sandon left in 1962 the remaining four quit their jobs in order to take up the offer of a short residency at the famous Star Club in Hamburg playing alongside The Beatles, Gerry & The Pacemakers and a host of other beat groups trying to make their mark in the world of youth music.

When The Beatles started the storm tagged Merseybeat The Searchers took their chance and under the guidance of PYE Records Tony Hatch shot to number one in the charts with their debut Sweets For My Sweet, quickly followed by Sugar & Spice and Someday We're Gonna Love Again.

When Jackson left in 1964 he was replaced by Frank Allen and soon after the classic When You Walk In The Room was released.

Tickets cost £23.50. For more information or to book, contact The Mill on 01295 279602 or go to themill-artscentre.co.uk.

WHAT A feeling – is exactly how I would describe the atmosphere when the Jacksons hit the stage at Nocturne 2017.

Staged in the stunning Courtyard at Oxfordshire's Blenheim Palace, the four-night music extravaganza followed last year's festival which starred Elton John.

Sunday night saw two legendary bands take to the stage, the still cool Kool and the Gang reeled off a string of their hits including Celebration, Fresh, Joanna, Let's Go Dancing, Ladies Night, Cherish and Get Down On It.

I had forgotten how many of their songs I knew.

Kool and the Gang started making music in the 1970s and they really were old pros. The audience was eating out of the palm of their hand as they belted out hit after hit.

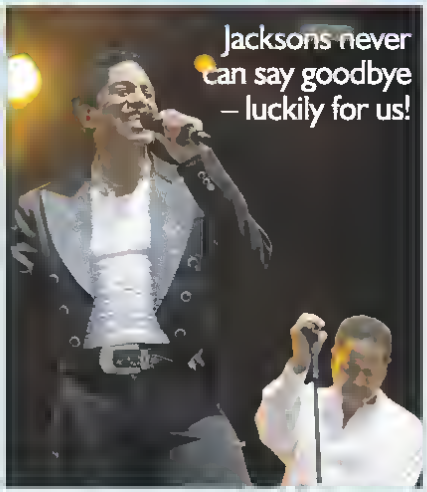
But it was the main attraction, the legendary Jackson brothers who brought the real magic to the stage.

As the sun went down over the palace the Jacksons bounced onto the stage and the crowd went wild.

Everyone was on their feet, singing and dancing to the classic tunes.

The remaining Jacksons – Jackie, Tito, Jermaine and Marlon – kicked off with Can You Feel It and then launched into five decades of hits.

One after another they came, ABC, Shake Your Body, I'll Be There, I Want You Back, Never Can Say Goodbye, Blame It On The Boogie and so many more.



They cleverly mixed visuals featuring the late Michael, making you almost think he was there.

The music was great, the setting was beautiful and the weather wonderful. What a fabulous show.

Samantha McGregor

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Thoughtful drama presents Hiroshima's lost past

IN THIS CORNER OF THE WORLD (12A)

By Laurie Bailey

SUNAO Katabuchi's wonderful 'In This Corner of the World' explores wartime domestic and family life in Japan, specifically following the period before the atomic bomb of 1945.

Adapted from Fumiyo Kono's manga series of the same name, the story centres on Suzu Urano as she leaves her family in Hiroshima to marry Shusaku Houju, based in the nearby town of Kure. Having only briefly met her husband before marrying him, Suzu nervously adapts to life in a new town with a new family as the war gradually makes its presence felt.

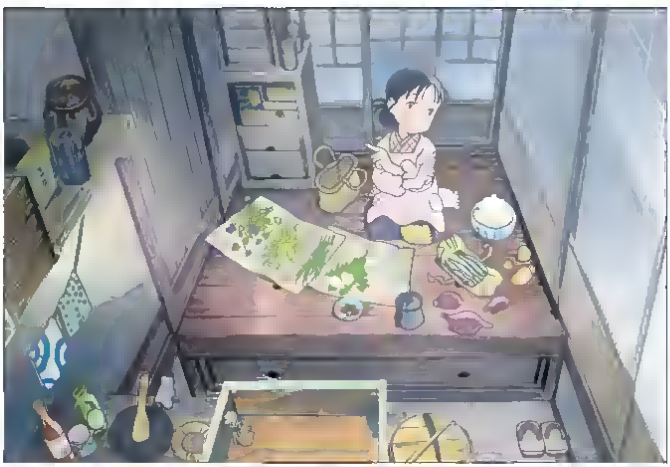
This scenario enables an anecdotal approach to storytelling - Suzu must learn many things herself, and so the audience learns with her as she experiences formal relationships, family squabbles, male and female societal roles, conscription to military service, food rationing, air raid precautions and wartime tragedy. It makes for a sedate viewing experience that won't thrill every audience – but those with time for detailed domestic dramas will be well rewarded.

Reportedly, much effort was taken to faithfully represent Japanese society and the atmosphere of these two towns during the period, and discovering new small corners of life through Suzu's eyes is fascinating - and gently funny in places.

Katabuchi also has an eye for symbolism in apparently ordinary moments, and characters often make incidental comments that offer greater depths out of context. At one point, Suzu's childhood friend Tetsu, whom she secretly admires, mentions that "the past and paths we did not choose are like dreams." For their characters it is a throw-away thought about an old friendship, but for the audience, a subtle lament over the terrible tragedy of war.

As to be expected, the art direction is sublime. Pastel shades, watercolour painting and traditional Japanese animation combine to create expressive, beautiful scenery, even recalling famed artist Katsushika Hokusai in moments.

In This Corner of the World is a compassionate, thoughtful portrait of wartime devastation in all its forms. It is rare for such a delicate window to be opened onto a lost place and time, and rarer still for one to receive cinematic distribution – crowdfunding played a crucial role in securing the film's development – so don't miss your chance!



Rena Nounen voices Suzu Urano in 'In This Corner of the World', which tells the story of life in Japan in 1945
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Laurie is an Oxford-based film critic, movie podcast host and BBC Radio Oxford film contributor. He lives locally with his wife, daughter and son. See more of his film reviews at lauriebailey.co.uk

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I used to be a prison officer and then I looked after my Grandad for eighteen months when he needed care and I really enjoyed it and so I moved into social care,' says Helen.

'It's so nice to meet different people especially those that don't necessarily have anyone else and in lots of ways I'm their outreach to the outside world – otherwise they wouldn't have one and they almost live their lives a little bit through me. At that time of life when people are getting on a bit, no one should feel alone.'

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I tell them about my life and what I'm up to, which they love, and I learn a huge amount about them and their lives in return. It's fascinating to hear about people's past! One man was in the army in India and the Far East and he used to try and teach me Malay because he could speak it – but I wasn't very good at it,' Helen laughs.

One of my ladies talks about her husband a lot as she misses him terribly. He was a policeman in the village where I grew up so that's really interesting, and another lived on a farm and describes living there and what life was like. My grandparents were farmers locally and she even knew them, so her reminiscences give me an insight into what own family's past would have been like. Another ran a pub for 49 years and she certainly has some stories to tell!

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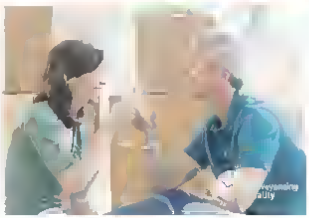
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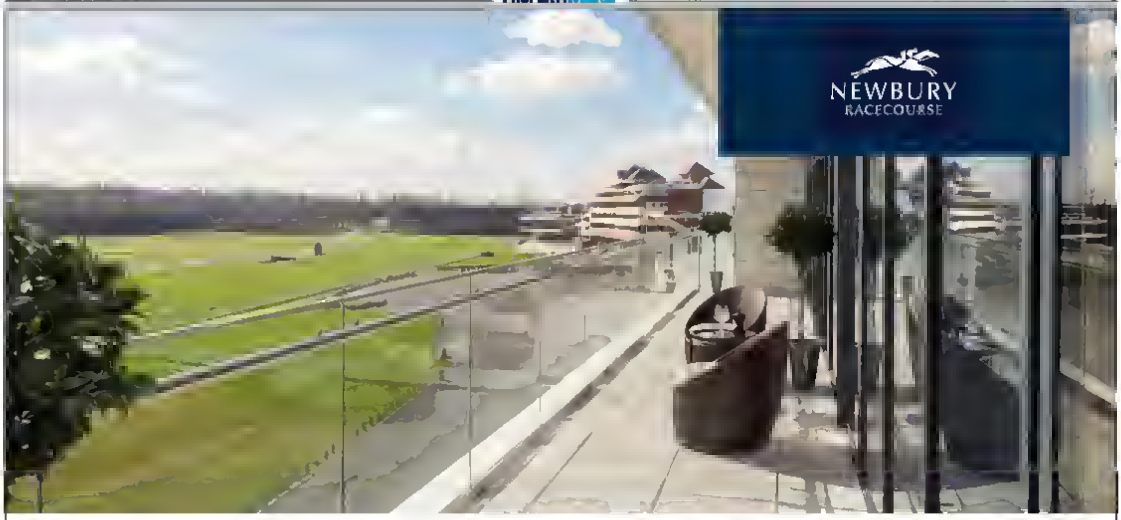
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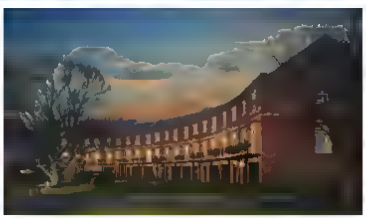
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Available with no onward chain, accommodation includes Entrance hall, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, sun room, study three double bedrooms (one with en suite) two bathrooms utility cupboard, 10 acres of shared riverside gardens and a garage.

A glazed upvc door opens into a spacious entrance hall. On this level is a double bedroom with fitted wardrobes and en-suite shower room, a large family bathroom, and a utility cupboard with sink and plumbing for a washing machine

A half staircase leads down to the lower ground floor with two additional rear aspect bedrooms both with a full range of fitted wardrobes and attractive views over the grounds and river

Here there is also an additional family bathroom, recently refitted with bath, separate shower, and attractive tiling.

An open tread hall staircase again from the entrance hall leads up to the sitting room, with vaulted ceiling, exposed brick, oak flooring, and a Jet master open fire with brick surround.

A sliding door opens onto a tiled outdoor terrace overlooking the rear gardens and River Thames, with gated access to a staircase leading









onto the grounds

Another half staircase from the sitting room leads up to the first floor, with a rear aspect kitchen/breakfast room, fitted with a matching range of wall and base units with granite work tops gas range cooker and space for a dishwasher and fridge/freezer

There is a galleried dining room, with access into a from aspect sun room, facing west and offering views over the marina. To complete the accommodation is a small study

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To arrange a viewing, contact selling agent Davis Tate's Goring on Thames office on 01491 873456

A time of change and scarcity for Oxford's house sales

Bill Cooper co-author of The Oxford Property Blog and managing director of Martin and Co, Oxford



Over the last 12 months 2 265 Oxford homes have been sold. That's a 28 per cent reduction in transaction volumes when compared to the previous 12-month period. The average achieved sales value was £408,452 which is seven per cent up on the previous 12 months and 40 per cent up over the last five years

However the latest Hometrack City Index suggests that Oxford house price inflation has moved into negative territory in April 2017 at -0.6 per cent, compared to +8.4 per cent in April 2016. This is supporting my thoughts from several weeks ago that Oxford may be tracking a similar path to London albeit with a six to nine month delay

Over the last three months the total value of Oxford property sold was £266.5m of which £34m were apartments £64.8m were terraced houses £71.3m were semi-detached houses £95.1m were detached houses and just £1.27m were new build

This continues to be a real issue for our City We badly need new affordable homes for first time buyers and young families.

Over the last 12 months, 19 per cent of properties sold were apartments at an average value of £273 855 the rest were houses with an average value of £447 942.

The highest value achieved for an apartment was £1 650 000 and the highest value for a house was £10 500 000 OX2 continued to dominate in terms of value - £10.5m Bradmore Road, £1.97m Park Town and £1.73m Hids Copse Road. And OX5 got a look-in - £1.41m North Street.

The table below summarises the average values achieved over the last 12 months in Oxford by property type

As regular readers will know I typically don't comment on my own Oxford business – Martin & Co Oxford when writing in this blog However I am being asked constantly at present about how we are finding the market, and how I see things developing Martin & Co, Oxford is known mostly as a lettings business, but we began to focus on house sales in addition to lettings in September 2015

Because of our reputation for lettings, we experienced significant activity in the run up to April 2016 as investors looked to buy properties ahead of the new stamp duty surcharges being introduced

After April 2016, the market was quite flat through to the early autumn From September 2016 through to the current time listings have been steady in particular in OX4 and OX1 Demand for central Oxford apartments remains good, despite some softening in the rental market.

There is evidence of owner-occupiers coming more to the fore compared to buy to let investors. The recently released Mill Stream House apartments opposite the new John Lewis store appear to be stimulating interest across the central city apartment developments

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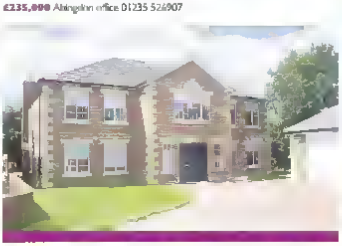
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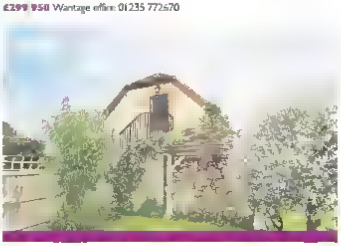
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You should also seek to engage an agent who will work with you to guarantee that your home stands out from the crowd. An agent who, if needed, will challenge how you present your home and ensure it's not camera shy.

Natural beauty shines through and that's the case whether you're a supermodel or a residential property.

Most of us cast an air of cynicism when flicking through a magazine full of flawless models with impossible figures and the same can be said for properties. Simply a super wide-angle or fish eye shot of a room will be misleading and could disappoint viewers once they realise in real life that it's simply not that large.

We've been enjoying some fabulous weather in recent weeks and properties that are shot bathed in natural sunlight with a bright blue sky behind will consequently benefit from an eye-catching exterior shot.

It's worth remembering though that this weather won't last and the motives of any agent who suggests photoshopping the garden to look greener or the sky to look bluer should be questioned.

Of course, there's a certain responsibility on you the seller too and any reputable agent will you remind you of these points.

First impressions count! Keep the front of the house clutter free to maximise kerb appeal, clean the front door and windows; remove dead plants and sweep up any leaves.

Bikes, toys and garden tools should be stored out of sight and, if possible, you should move wheelie bins out of the way too. If your property has a drive, park vehicles elsewhere whilst photos are taken.

Inside, ensure that rooms are decluttered, curtains and blinds are opened and soft furnishings are neat and tidy. Laundry left out is a big no-no and both the kitchen and bathroom should be sparkling clean.

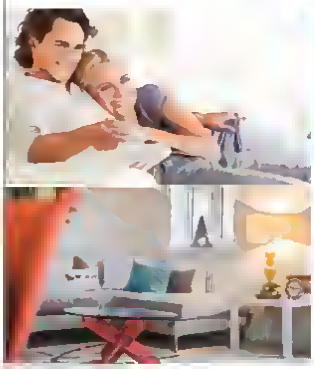
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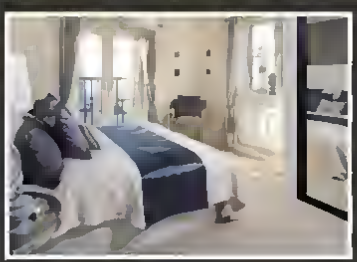


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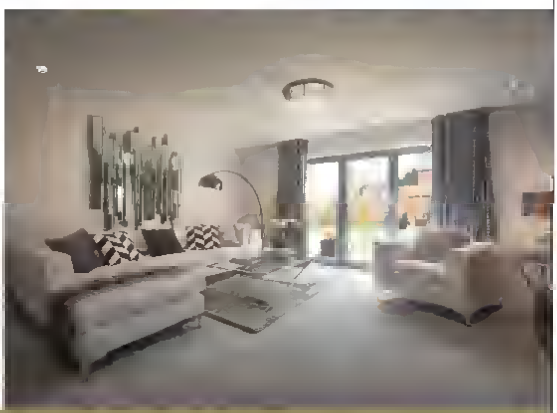


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Jazz 1.3 i-VTEC EX Navi CVT

All that Jazz... for a decent price

By Tony Yates

THE Honda Jazz has been around for some time now and has been subjected to quite a few upgrades since it was first launched in 2001 – and I still remember its introduction.

Even back then I remember thinking that I hoped it turned out to be an important turning point for Honda in the B segment market – well it turned out it was and the Jazz quickly became a hot property with the likes of the school run mum and the people who just wanted a car to get from A to B with little fuss and at a price that was comfortable to swallow.

Well it's now 2017 and the new generation Jazz is still looking as strong and modern as ever – so let's take a look to see if it's still the one to beat.

Power and efficiency:

The 1.3 Litre i-DTEC (102PS) has 123N of torque and is actually a fantastic little engine that loves to be revved and is a real joy to use as an everyday run-around. I am also happy to report that the engine feels very refined and has a decent range of torque available even when you consider its small engine size.

Although just because it has a small engine, does not mean motorway driving is tedious – or fact I found it quiet and unfussy.

Out on the open road the Jazz will return a combined 53+ MPG if driven with a very light right foot – and emissions come in at a very respectable 106g/km. Top speed will also stop at around 112mph and 0-62 will come in at 12 seconds, just.

On the road:

The Jazz feels nimble and controlled and the chassis is very refined – thanks mainly to a stiffer platform, suspension and a new damper system which helps improve ride quality. There is also a new and 'faster' electric power steering system that increases the feedback for the driver which makes for a better driving experience.

Design & technology:

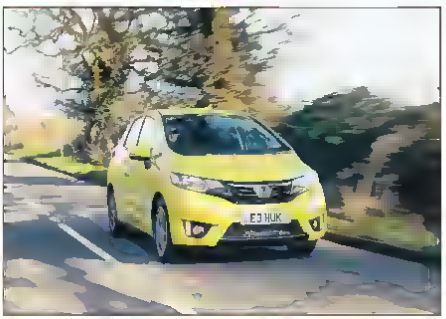
The interior is of a good standard and the controls are basic in design, but well set out and all the dials are clear and unfussy.

The New Jazz is also 95mm longer than its predecessor on the outside and with a 30mm longer wheelbase – this means leg, shoulder and headroom in the front and rear are good, and better than most frankly.

The fuel tank has also been centre-mounted to allow for class-leading interior space. This set up enables the platform to accommodate Honda's innovative Magic Seats system which works well if you have two children like me, and a heap of shopping to do.

Standard equipment fitted across the range includes air conditioning, and five-inch LCD display that covers features such as FM & DAB tuner plus USB functionality and sat nav (where fitted).

Higher grade models also benefit from leather steering wheel, keyless entry and push button engine start/stop and touchpanel controls for the automatic air conditioning. The Jazz is also equipped with a total of six airbags (front, side and full-length curtain airbags as standard across the range.



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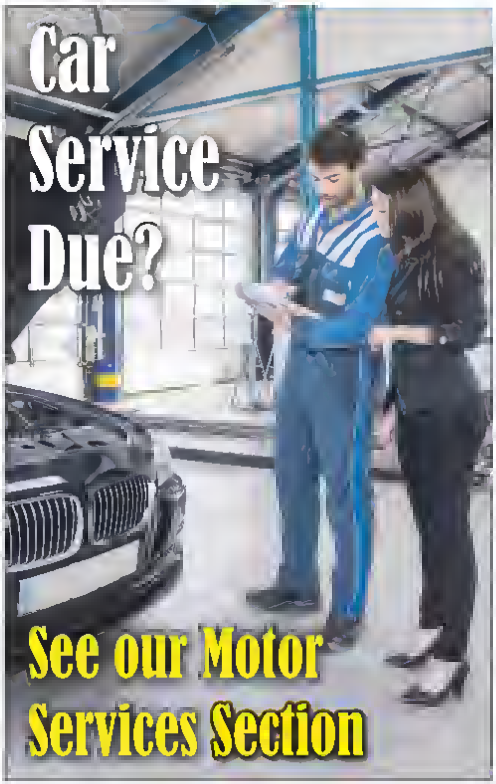
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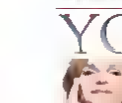
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McAleny snubs U's to make Fleetwood move

Oxford United

George Welch: *Reporter*

OXFORD United's preparations for the coming season have taken a hit after transfer target Conor McAleny signed for Fleetwood Town.

The forward officially ended his 13-year association with Everton after signing a three-year deal at Oxford's divisional rivals on Friday.

McAleny enjoyed a prolific few months on loan at the Kassam, netting 16 goals in 18 games after joining from the Blues on a temporary basis in January.

The 24-year-old was told he was surplus to requirements on Merseyside and it was no secret that former U's boss Michael Appleton was keen to make the hot-shot's stay permanent.

According to Cod Army boss Uwe Rosler McAleny, who netted two hat-tricks in his time in Oxfordshire, turned down more money from Championship clubs to join the Lancashire side.

He told the Fleetwood Weekly News: "He is very clear in what he wants to achieve, what he has to do, where he wants to go and I was very impressed by his clarity and his thinking.

"What I really like about him is that he could have gone for more money somewhere else.

"He had offers from the Championship but he wanted us and he wanted it to come to us.

"I think that is fantastic for our football club to see that players and agents and clubs are realising what we are about and what we can offer.

"We can't compete financially but we can compete in other areas and give Conor McAleny what he is looking for."

McAleny told Fleetwood's website: "I'm delighted, it's a club on the up and I'm very excited to be a part of it.

"I know the manager, they are a good bunch of lads, the facilities are spot on and it's definitely the right place to be."

U's chairman Darryl Eales has confirmed that McAleny is the second player to turn the club down due to Appleton's departure.

Defender Liam Lindsay was close to signing from Partick Thistle but was put off by the managerial uncertainty. He has since signed for Championship side Barnsley.



U's transfer target Conor McAleny scores against Millwall for Oxford United. Picture: Darrell Fisher

Bizarre mix-up with shirt labels prompts investigation

Oxford United

AN INVESTIGATION has been launched after a bemused Bristol City fan found an Oxford United label inside his new away kit.

Bristol Sport, the organisation that oversees the business interests of City and Bristol Rugby, said the mistake was "an isolated incident".

Puzzled Robins fan Matthew Gillett raised the issue when he posted on Twitter on Saturday: "Any idea why there's an Oxford United badge on the label inside my new #PurpleAndLime shirt?"

Bristol Sport chief executive Andrew Billingham apologised and claimed that it "slipped through our quality control checks".

He told Bristol City's club website: "We are investigating the matter and it appears to be an isolated incident.

"We use a network of factories who produce for other clubs and major brands.

"Since the issue was highlighted we have checked all remaining stock and I am pleased to say no further issues have been identified.

"I have requested an urgent review of all manufacturing processes from our supplier to ensure this cannot happen again."

A spokesperson for the kit manufacturer Vision Outsourcing added: "We would like to offer our sincerest apology to any supporter affected by the mislabelling of our product.

"We take great pride in producing bespoke product for Bristol Sport as do its clubs and we are deeply disappointed that we have made this error.

"We produce garments for several other professional football clubs.

"Unfortunately on this occasion, the wrong label has been added to the new Bristol City away shirt."

They added: "Moving forward we will be implementing a plan to ensure that there is no further mistakes of this nature."

United will wear their unseen away kit when they make the short trip to Oxford City on July 8.



Robins fan Matthew Gillett made the club aware of the issue on Twitter. Picture: Matthew Gillett / @MTG1897

Club sets up first ever women's team

Women's Football

RECRUITMENT is well under way at Abingdon United Women as they prepare for their first ever season.

Sixteen players have joined the Northcourt Road side after the team was born from an FA funded and Football Foundation implemented grant.

The Grow the Game grant, which will provide a boost to grassroots football in Abingdon, has paved the way for Abingdon United to create a new and its first women's team since it was formed in 1946.

Club secretary John Blackmore said the grant has provided the club with much-needed start up costs.

England manager and Football Foundation ambassador Gareth Southgate said: "I am so pleased that Abingdon United Women's team has secured this Grow the Game grant.

"The club has worked very hard with the Berks & Bucks County FA and the Football Foundation to get more local people playing football so that they can enjoy the many physical and mental benefits that come with playing regular sport."

The £2.5m Grow the Game fund is money that is siphoned from the very top of the game down to the lowest levels of the English football system to help clubs at the grassroots to bear the cost of starting up a new team.

Pond hoping to make a splash on Banbury return

Banbury United

BANBURY United boss Mike Ford said he is delighted to be reunited with Darren Pond, who has returned to the north Oxfordshire club after a decade away.

The 30-year-old midfielder, who won promotion from the Southern Premier League with Leamington last season, came through the youth system at the Puritans and has played more than 100 times for the club.

Ford, who made Pond his captain when the pair worked together at Oxford City, said: "I am really pleased that Darren has agreed to join the club.

"He is vastly experienced at this and the level above and will add quality and skill to the side.

"He has been part of two promotion winning sides from our current division, both while at Oxford City and last season at Learnington.

"I've worked previously with Darren at City and he was instrumental in the success we had and I rate him highly and made him captain of the side."

Pond moved to Oxford City in the summer of 2007. He spent nine years at the Hoops and, despite missing a large part of season 2009/10 and the whole of season 2010/11 with a serious knee injury, made over 360 appearances for them through to the end of season 2015/16, scoring over 50 goals.

Meanwhile, striker Manny Duku, who was deemed part of Ford's plans, has left the club to join Hayes & Yeading United.

Eddie's run of form takes a hit

Golf

AFTER driving himself to new heights at the US Open a fortnight ago Eddie Pepperell's momentum landed in the rough after a frustrating second round in Munich.

The 26-year-old's resurgent form on the European Tour which included a tied eighth finish in Sweden earlier this month, was halted when he missed the cut by two shots at the BMW International Open last week.

Starting round one on the 10th tee Pepperell began in steady fashion.

The Frilford Heath member finished the first day in 62nd place on level par after his birdies on nine, 13 and 18 were cancelled out by bogeys on two, six and 14.

The low-scoring field meant Pepperell needed to card under par for round two to have any hope of making the cut.

But it wasn't to be for the 'wise old owl' who leapt 112 places in the world rankings following his impressive showing at Erin Hills the previous week.

A bogey on the first hole and a double bogey on the fourth left Pepperell with what proved an irredeemable challenge on his hands.

Pepperell failed to fully recover but did sink two birdies on the sixth and 16th holes to card one over par for the day and the tournament to finish in tied 80th.

In a tightly fought contest, Argentine Andres Romero pipped the chasing pack to victory on 17 under par.

Englishman Richard Bland, Belgian Thomas Detry and Sergio Garcia finished a stroke behind.

Eddie tees off at the HNA Open de France in Paris today.

Youngsters get into the swing of golf at academy

Golf

FRILFORD Heath Golf Club went back to school to welcome the second year of a junior academy sponsored by European Tour golfer Eddie Pepperell.

The Abingdon golfer set up The Frilford Heath Junior Academy in 2016 when he handed his sponsorship money back to the club to support junior golf.

The 26-year-old has done the same this year, enabling the club to take the academy into schools in the hope of enticing youngsters who aren't golfers but could benefit from the academy.

The initiative hopes to spark an interest and encourage children to take up the sport.

During the past couple of months, Derek Craik, Frilford Heath's golf professional, has visited five schools and coached over 400 youngsters.

Each session teed off with a taster session at the school, which gave children the opportunity to try golf.

Following the taster sessions the children were invited to sign up for a subsidised five-week course of lessons at the Oxford Road-based club.

Hoping to secure the next wave of golfing talent in Oxfordshire, club chairman Alistair Booth said: "Of the 52 juniors who joined last year the majority have re-joined for a second year.

"The majority were beginners or players who hadn't played the game for very long, which shows they have obviously enjoyed it and stayed with it.



One boy practices his putting skills at one of the sessions at an Appleton school

"It shows that Eddie's generosity has resulted in more youngsters getting involved in the sport – exactly what he and the club set out to do.

"He has such a profound impact on youngsters with this academy and he is a perfect role model and we are delighted to have the Eddie Pepperell Junior Golf Academy at Frilford Heath Golf Club for a second year."

Defenceman Hopkins signs on for another season at Oxford City Stars

Ice Hockey

By George Welch

VERSATILE D-man Dom Hopkins has extended his stay at Oxford City Stars by another season.

After making his debut for the Stars last September having joined the club from Streatham, Hopkins will be return for Stars in National League Division 2 in 2017/18.

He said he was "really happy" to re-join the Stars, adding: "Everything about the organisation is hugely professional and it was a fun club to be a part of last season.

"The work the directors have put in and their vision for the Oxford City Stars future is impressive so it's great to be part of a club that is going about things the right way.

"Working with and developing the Stars of the future is massively important for the stability of the club in years to come and I look forward to helping the younger players improve and transition to senior hockey."

Hopkins, who will continue in his role as assistant captain next season, added: "We have a great bunch of guys in the locker room who all work hard for each other so I'm really looking forward to getting started and skating back out in front of our awesome army of fans."

Last season he iced 27 times for the Stars, scoring 13 goals, making 15 assists and racking up a total of 28 points across the season.



Dominic Hopkins in action for Oxford City Stars

Oxford's newly appointed head coach Kenny Redmond said: "I'm delighted to have Dom back for next season. He's an offensive style defenceman who contributes a lot of points.

"Dom has a positive attitude and will be a great role model for the younger guys training up with the Stars."

Blues' struggles continue with fourth league defeat in a row

Rugby League

A HEAVY defeat at local rivals Gloucestershire All Golds extended Oxford RLs dismal losing run to four games.

Following a tight first half, in which Marcus Brooker and Casey Canterbury dived over the line for the Blues, the hosts turned the screw in the second half and strolled to a 38-10 win.

Oxford got off to the worst possible start when winger Mo Agaro was left all alone to give the All Golds the lead within a minute with an unconverted try.

Former All Gold Brooker dived over of the other end seven minutes later for an unconverted try and to level the scores.

With 13 minutes on the clock Canterbury – another returning old boy – shot through a hole in the defensive line to score – but Harvey Burnett was again unable to add the extras.

Gloucestershire's Steve Parry crossed for his 100th career try and Courtney Davies added the goal to give the All Golds a 16-0 lead.

Despite the home side squandering three golden opportunities that's the way it stayed until the buzzer in what was a tense opening 40 minutes.

Oxford were temporarily back on level terms via a Burnett penalty to make it 10-10 but a sparkling four-try blitz in little less than 15 second half minutes was enough to bury a tired and depleted Oxford outfit.

Harrison Elliott (57 minutes), Parry (62) Chris Barlow (65) and James Walter (71) did the damage in a devastating phase of the game.

Billy Brickhill rounded off the resounding win for the All Gods with a try four minutes from time.

Oxford, who sit 12th in the Kingstone Press League 1, host North Wales Crusaders on Sunday.

Coaches shoot hoops at GB Masters

Basketball

AFTER putting in the hours training up young basketball players, a handful of coaches got the chance to shoot some hoops at basketball's largest UK tournament.

It might be the off-season but, with over 400 men and women playing, the GB Masters in Manchester proved a test for the team of coaches.

The Oxfordshire Basketball Association (OBA) team lost three of their four matches over the weekend but caused the upset of the tournament by beating last year's winners.

Despite losing two players to injury OBA showed real guts and determination on day two to beat the Plymouth Raiders thanks to an inspired Rory Bowden and Ian McEvoy.

Led by Abingdon Eagle's head coach Steve Claringbould, the team of over-40s in its third year of competing at the Masters lost their three other matches against Rochdale, Checkmate K and Manchester Cubs to finish 17th out of 36 teams.

In beating last year's winners, the coaches put on a performance to inspire the kids they train every week.

Claringbould said: "It's great to put into practice what we teach the boys and girls week in, week out.

"Overall this was a fantastic tournament. In all of the over 40Bs the OBA finished 17th out of 36 teams but most importantly the players really enjoyed playing basketball again."

The team also attended the annual dinner but after showing their skills on the dance floor the group decided to concentrate on basketball in the future instead.



The OBA over-40s GB Masters team: Back left to right, Mark Sheehan, Rory Bowden, Steven Claringbould, Ian McEvoy. Front left to right, Diego Sanchez-Ancochea, Rich Styants, Ian Hannah, Tim Kenyon

Magnussen dodges trouble to get points



Kevin Magnussen scored six points in Azerbaijan. Picture: Haas F1

F1

KEVIN Magnussen kept his Haas out of trouble to earn a useful seventh place finish in Sunday's Azerbaijan Grand Prix.

There were collisions, crashes and mechanical gremlins throughout Sunday s race in Baku, but Magnussen was able to avoid all the incidents around him to move up the order

With 13 laps to go he was running in third but faster cars recovering behind him were easily able to get past, but he held on to score six points.

Magnussen said. "It was a crazy race with all the safety car periods the red flag so many things happened.

"The car's been handling well all weekend there s just been some issues with brakes and just not being that competitive on this track and the layout not suiting us.

"We were in P3 at one point and I got a bit excited about that, but to come away with a seventh place finish is pretty good."

However Romain Grosjean suffered yet more problems with his brakes to eventually finish 13th and last

He had been running in 10th but had to pit on lap 37 because of the brakes and dropped to the back.

Perhaps tellingly as to his mood after the race Grosjean didn't give any comments to the Haas press officer

Smith crashes out at Assen



Bradley Smith was competing with the chasing pack before crashing out

MotoGP

A DISAPPOINTED Bradley Smith has apologised to his team after he crashed out of the Dutch Grand Prix on Sunday

The Forest Hill MotoGP rider was returning to action after a badly damaged little finger sidelined him from the Spanish Grand Prix a fortnight earlier

But Smith came into more grief in Assen when, after making a fantastic start, he ran wide at turn seven mid race and crashed out.

The KTM driver said: "I'm OK but just a little bit frustrated after I made a good start.

"I felt pretty good and was in front of the group that was fighting for the top-eight but then they edged ahead as I had a new set up for this race.

"I found my rhythm However later on I ran into turn seven a little bit too fast and tucked the front.

"I'm really sorry for the team and my crew as it s quite frustrating that this has happened but we'll regroup and improve the motorcycle for Sachsenring next weekend."

Smith's teammate Pol Espargaro crossed the line in 11th place to clinch five points the team's best ever MotoGP finish.

The Spaniard, who didn't stop to change his tyres when the rain fell just before the halfway point, bravely threaded his way over a slightly damp track on slick tyres to gain the best points scoop so far for the Austrian manufacturer

Stroll benefits from Baku chaos for first Formula 1 podium

F1

By Adam Flinn

TWO weeks after scoring his first Formula One points at his home event, Lance Stroll drove a faultless race to finish on the podium following a chaotic Azerbaijan Grand Prix on Sunday

The 18 year-old Canadian rookie earned Grove-based Williams their first podium in over a year after bringing his car home third, just being pipped on the line to second by the Mercedes of Valtteri Bottas

Stroll was able to take advantage of the fallout that affected every other driver around him to move up the order from his eighth-place starting position.

It started with a crash between Bottas and Kimi Raikkonen on the first lap which left the former a lap down at the back.

Later on in the race Raikkonen got tangled up in the collision between the two Force Indias, moving Stroll up another three spots to fourth.

Team mate Felipe Massa s retirement, a penalty for Sebastian Vettel and an unscarduled pitstop for Lewis Hamilton left Stroll in second, which he held until metres before the finish line when Bottas drafted past.

"It was such a hectic race and so much happened, but the team kept me cool on the radio, we took it to the end and stayed out of trouble," said Stroll.



The Williams team chase Lance Stroll across the line in Azerbaijan. Picture: Williams Martini Racing

"I can t quite believe what s happened, coming into this weekend I never thought I would be standing on the podium.

"It s an amazing feeling and, for me a dream come true."

However it was a bittersweet week and for Williams, as the team thought that Massa could have won the race without his mechanical problems

The Brazilian was running ahead of Stroll in third after the red flag, with only Vettel and Hamilton ahead – who would eventually drop back with their own issues

But on the restart the suspension on Massa's car broke, and he could do nothing to stop the chasing pack from getting past on Baku s long straight.

Having dropped out of the points, he retired a few laps later

Massa said: "I'm so disappointed about the result.

"On the restart the car just started shaking on the straight and I didn't have the speed, so other cars were passing me so easily

"We had the opportunity to have both cars on the podium, and maybe even a victory

"But I do want to say a massive congratulations to Lance."

Renault can't capitalise on crazy race

F1

ENGINE woes for Jolyon Palmer and a self inflicted crash for Nico Hulkenberg meant Renault left Azerbaijan empty handed on Sunday

The Enstone-based team were unable to take advantage from a incident packed grand prix, after both cars retired before the halfway point.

Palmer had suffered a miserable weekend which got worse on Sunday when he noticed a misfire in his car on the way to the grid.

It steadily got worse throughout the early stages of the race, and he ended up pulling into the pits on lap seven to call it a day

And Hulkenberg was running in fifth following the red flag period in the middle of the race, but clipped the barrier soon after the restart and snapped his front right suspension.

Sunday s results mean that Renault have lost a place to Haas in the constructors standings

Renault s managing director Cyril Abiteboul said. "On a day like this, a double DNF is the worst that can happen to the team both in terms of race results and in terms of championship position

"We will do all we can to make sure that this will be our only double DNF of the season."

Draw number six as wait for win goes on

Cricket

BICESTER and North Oxford's (BNOCC) seconds XI are still searching for their first victory of the season after being another match.

They racked up their sixth draw of the season at home against Westbury while chasing 268 to win, despite an innings of 94 from Matt Collins and contributions from Will Irving (39) and Adam Gould (27)

BNOCC won the toss and elected to field with Trevor Price getting them off to a good start by removing Alan Green for two and then Tom Boardman for 22

However 46 from Joseph Nuttings and Andrew Lees with 54 helped Westbury recover and built a platform for Tom Young who scored 85 ant out.

Westbury recovered and batted aggressively ending on 267 with BNOCC bowlers struggling to control the flow of runs.

In reply Stafford Sansome went for 10, but Collins and Irving, and then Collins and Gould, gave Bicester some hope of claiming their first victory of the season

But this was short-lived as Young matched his impressive batting with excellent bowling figures of 5-64.

He ripped into the BNOCC middle order but it was the wicket of Collins that put pay to any hopes of that elusive first victory

Harry Rhymer (3-53) also chipped in with wickets and Conway and Randall batted out the remaining overs to hold out for the draw

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Lampard and Hasslebaink among U's top job favourites

By George Welch

TWO Chelsea legends are among the favourites to succeed Michael Appleton as Oxford United's new head coach

Record scorer Frank Lampard and former striker Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink have emerged as two of the most likely candidates to fill the current vacancy, according to bookmakers.

The club has drawn up a shortlist of six candidates and are currently halfway through the interview process – but have declined to comment on potential targets.

Chairman Darryl Eales said he expects to complete the interviews tomorrow and an announcement is due on Monday.

Reports have surfaced that Lampard has spoken to the SkyBet League One club but, as the Guardian went to press, the favourite to replace Appleton, who last week joined Leicester City as assistant manager was Pep Clotet.

The 40-year-old Spaniard was Garry Monk's No 2 at Swansea and at Leeds United last season. The pair weren't reunited as Monk took the reigns at Middlesbrough earlier this month.

Clotet, who initially joined the Swans as academy consultant in November 2013 when Michael Laudrup was in charge, would meet Eales' criteria of a young and hungry coach as the club's new boss.

SkyBet had Clotet as the favourite with odds of 4/5. Lampard, who only hung up his boots in February and former Burton and QPR boss Hasselbaink followed behind on 3/1.

It is understood Oxford, who received more than 50 applications in 48 hours after Appleton's departure are seriously considering offering Lampard his first venture into management.

Lampard became friends with Sky Sports presenter and Oxford director Dave Jones who will also help decide the new gaffer, through their punditry work together.

The 39-year-old stated his desire to be a manager in March.

Eales said last week applications have been flooding in due to "the reputation of Oxford United as a progressive football club" but urged patience as a three-man panel decides on the new boss.

He added: "We have been contacted by candidates from all across Europe and from the very highest level in this country.

"In some ways timing is of the essence given the proximity of pre-season, but there is no point rushing to the wrong decisions.

"We are a club that bases itself around sustainability and creating the right culture, so ensuring any appointment fits this criteria is essential."

Other managers linked with the U's job are Chris Powell (1/1) Steve McClaren (6/1) Dougie Freedman, Alan Archibald and John Eustace (all 20/1)



Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink
Picture: Ben Sutherland



Running back Antonios Athanasiou stiff-arms a Warriors runner to score a second touchdown.
Picture: Chris James

Saints win big and condemn South Wales to relegation

American Football

By George Welch

A RESOUNDING 42-0 win boosted Oxford Saints chances of qualifying for the Division 1 semi finals – and condemned South Wales Warriors to relegation in the process.

The Saints put on a convincing display at Tilsley Park on Sunday against a struggling South Wales side who have lost all eight matches so far this season.

The Warriors needed a win to avoid relegation to Division 2 but that never looked likely against a ruthless Oxford side that recorded their biggest win of the campaign.

The home side never looked back once James Walter opened the scoring on Oxford's first drive with a two-yard touchdown.

Kicker Sam Fielden converted the extra point – not for the last time in the afternoon – for a 7-0 lead.

Running back Antonios Athanasiou, Ryan Kingshott and Walter's second touchdown meant a dominant Saints boasted a commanding 28-0 lead at half time.

The second half was quieter as the Saints maintained their comfortable lead but also missed opportunities to add further scores against a tiring Warriors defence.

At the beginning of the fourth quarter Walter crossed into the end-zone for the third time to push the Saints ahead to a 34-0 lead. Fielden remained on form and added the extra point.

The Saints sealed the deal when veteran tight end Richard Bloomer ran into the endzone from 23 yards out for the touchdown.

Fielden maintained his 100 per cent record and added his final point of the game to round off a memorable 42-0 win.

Next up for Oxford, who are second with three games remaining is a trip to Ouse Valley Eagles on July 9.

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